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Cameron steps down as Witney's Tory MP

• *David Cameron, Witney MP in 2009*

By **George Welch**

FORMER Prime Minister David Cameron has stepped down as MP for Witney, saying he does not want to be a "diversion" to the work of his successor Theresa May.

Mr Cameron made the announcement on Monday that he would be resigning with immediate effect, prompting a by-election in the west Oxfordshire constituency.

In a statement, he said: "I spoke this morning [Monday] to the chairman of the West Oxfordshire Conservative Association and I have just come from a meeting with my constituency agent and other members of staff.

"Having fully considered my position over the summer, I have decided that I am going to stand down as the Member of Parliament for Witney.

"There will now be a by-election and I will do everything that I can to help the Conservative candidate win that election.

"In my view, the circumstances of my resignation as Prime Minister and the realities of modern politics make it very difficult to continue on the backbenches without the risk of becoming a diversion to the important decisions that lie ahead for my successor in Downing Street and the Government."

The Witney MP of 15 years' standing resigned as Prime Minister on July 13 following the UK's decision to leave the European Union and was replaced by Mrs May.

Paying tribute, Mrs May said she "was very proud to have served for David Cameron's Government" and she praised his leadership that brought "serious social reforms".

Witney Conservative activist Liam Walker tweeted: "I'm gutted David Cameron is standing down as our MP. He inspired me to get involved with politics & it's been a great journey. #TeamCameron."

Speaking from Witney's Church Green, Mr Cameron denied his announcement was related to

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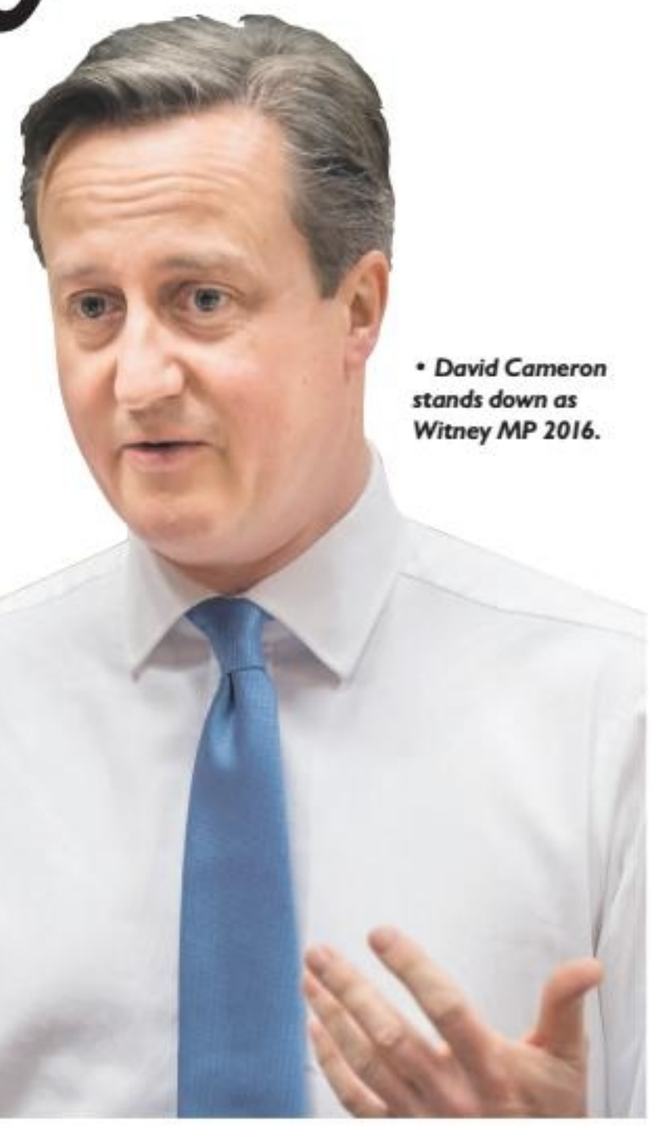

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Council tribute paid to 'much-loved' man

By **George Welch**

OXFORD City Council has paid tribute to its head of law and governance, Jeremy Thomas, who died after taking part in a cycling event on Sunday.

Mr Thomas was taken ill while on a 50-mile trip organised by Bike Oxford and taken to the John Radcliffe Hospital, where he died later the same day.

Paramedics were called to attend to Mr Thomas outside Ashendon, near Aylesbury, shortly after 11am and he was taken to hospital by ambulance.

The 47-year-old joined the city council as head of legal and democratic services in July 2005 after a six-year stint with the city and county councils at Swansea, where he was principal deputy head of legal and deputy monitoring officer.

He also served as Oxford's monitoring officer as well as returning officer for elections.

During his decade of service to the city, Mr Thomas presided over 30 elections for parish, county and city councils, the General Election and national referenda, as well as the Thames Valley Police and Crime Commissioner election.

Council chief executive Peter Sloman paid tribute to Mr Thomas, saying: "I know I speak for everyone when I say we have lost a trusted and respected colleague, a man who made a huge contribution to this city and, more than anything, that we have all lost a kind, warm, supportive and much-loved friend."

Council leader Bob Price said: "Jeremy's death is a tragic loss for the city council.

"He made a transformational contribution to the city council in many areas, and will be particularly remembered as the architect of the council's new constitution, as well as for his work in establishing a highly efficient electoral registration system.

• Jeremy Thomas

"Our hearts go out to his family; their loss is even more grievous than ours."

Colleagues in his department also paid tribute to Mr Thomas, described him as "a highly effective lawyer and monitoring officer, always practical and pragmatic in his application of the law, but resolute on important matters of principle".

They added: "Always approachable and willing to offer assistance to all, Jeremy was respected throughout the council. He was greatly liked by all in the Law and Governance department he led for over ten years, and to whom his loss will be keenly felt."

Teenager arrested after forklift rampage near Henley

A 15-YEAR-OLD boy from Henley has been arrested after a forklift truck was used to overturn a car in Sonning Common.

Police received reports of a forklift truck being driven erratically through Sonning Common, near Henley, at around 11.48pm on Tuesday night, during which a car was overturned and damaged.

It was driven down Woodlands Road, Wood Lane, Green Lane and Baskerville Road.

Police attended and arrested a 15-year-old boy on suspicion of criminal damage and possession of a firearm. He is currently in police custody.

Investigating officer Det Con Francesca Griffin, of Force CID based in Abingdon, said: "We are aware this incident has caused disruption in the Sonning Common area [on Tuesday] night.

"We would like anyone who we have not spoken to about this incident to call us with any information that they may have."

Anyone with information is asked to contact police on 101.

News Bites

Woman dies

OXFORD: An elderly woman has died following a crash on the A423 eastern bypass.

Thames Valley Police has renewed an appeal for information about the crash involving three cars and a lorry on Wednesday, August 31, at about 9.50am.

It involved a red Peugeot 308, a white Ford Mondeo, a blue Vauxhall Astra and a HGV.

Two women, aged 82 and 76, who were travelling in the Vauxhall, sustained serious life-changing injuries and were taken to the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford.

The 82-year-old woman, from Northamptonshire, died in the hospital on Wednesday last week from her injuries. Her 76-year-old passenger remains in hospital.

A 16-year-old boy travelling in the Ford sustained a leg injury and was also taken to hospital but has been discharged.

Safe place to live

OXFORD: Oxford is the seventh safest place in the country to live, a new report says.

The study by Provident Personal Credit has revealed the safest communities in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Residents were asked to rate on a scale of 1-10 on how safe they felt in their community.

Oxford came seventh with a score of 7.65.

Aberystwyth finished top with 8.65 for the second time running, while London (6.68) was deemed the most unsafe.

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Man fighting for life after being rescued from River Thames

A MAN in his 20s is fighting for his life in hospital after falling from Donnington Bridge into the River Thames yesterday morning.

A passer-by managed to pulled the man out before he was treated and taken to hospital in a life threatening condition.

Thames Valley Police said they were called to the bridge at 10.19am after reports that a man had fallen into the water.

Oxfordshire County Council's Fire and Rescue Service, who were also in attendance, said: "When crews arrived they gave emergency first aid to a man – believed to be in his 20s – and he was transferred to the care of South Central Ambulance Service."

A spokesperson from South Central Ambulance Service said: "We received a call at 10.13am this morning and we attended the scene with a rapid response vehicle, ambulance crew and emergency response unit.

"Two ambulance officers assessed and treated a male in a life threatening condition at the scene and he was taken to the John Radcliffe Hospital."

The road, which was closed by police after the incident, reopened that morning.

Gateway scheme is set to meet need for warehousing

Industrial park to expand

By **George Welch**

PLANNNG permission has been granted for an expansion of Witney's Windrush Industrial Park.

Blenheim Industrial Properties Ltd (BIP), part of the Blenheim Palace Estate and the owner of Windrush Industrial Park, has been given the go-ahead by West Oxfordshire District Council for four new units totalling 28,992 sq ft (2,693 sq m) of floorspace.

The scheme aims to meet increasing demand for warehousing at the site.

BIP bought the 28-acre site in Burford Road in 2011, which is home to 15 businesses, including multi-national packaging company Smurfit Kappa and furniture makers, Corndell Furniture.

A further 38 firms are based in the Witney Business and Innovation Centre which is at the entrance to the park.

A masterplan has now been submitted and approved to develop a 1.3-acre site at the front of the estate, to be known as the Gateway.

Councillor Warwick Robinson, the district council's cabinet member for strategic planning and economy, said: "This shows the confidence developers have in the thriving West Oxfordshire economy.

"We look forward to welcoming more successful companies to the district and creating jobs which will have further beneficial effects for suppliers and retailers in the local area."

The Gateway scheme, comprised of the four new high specification units designed to occupier requirements, is expected to open within 12 months.

Councillor Richard Langridge said: "I am delighted to see these new units being built.

"I am very pleased to see the economy of West Oxfordshire continue to expand and develop.

"West Oxfordshire is most definitely open for business."

Jon Silversides, of estate agents Carter Jonas Oxford said the buildings would "answer the chronic undersupply of new buildings in Witney".

The park comprises industrial, warehouse and office accommodation in a range of unit sizes.

Jim Yates, BIP's commercial property portfolio manager, said: "We have identified the high demand for additional industrial and warehouse units in Witney and West Oxfordshire, to support growing businesses in their logistic and manufacturing needs."

Former PM resigns

• *From front page*

the Government's moves towards allowing new grammar schools, a policy he rejected as PM.

Mr Cameron, 49, added: "I fully support Theresa May and have every confidence that Britain will thrive under her strong leadership."

A spokesman for the West Oxfordshire Conservative Association said: "David Cameron has been an outstanding MP for Witney serving West Oxfordshire for 15 years. He will be missed here."

And Ian Hudspeth, Conservative leader of Oxfordshire County Council, said Mr Cameron would "absolutely" be missed, while North Oxfordshire MP, Victoria Prentis, said he was an "inspiration".

But Labour's former shadow business secretary Angela Eagle, who read Philosophy, Politics and Economics at St John's College, Oxford, was not so complementary. Speaking to the BBC, she said: "I think he will be remembered as a very bad prime minister."

She said his premiership would be consigned to the history books as "a failure" for leading the country out of the EU before walking away.

Mr Cameron became MP for Witney in 2001 following former Tory Witney MP Shaun Woodward's defection to Labour.

• *Responding to demand for industrial warehousing in Witney: From left, Jim Yates, of Blenheim Industral Properties (BIP), Christian Vecchione, of Benedicts, Roger File, also of BIP, and Jon Silversides, of Carter Jonas, at Gateway at Windrush Park*

News Bites

Cash stolen

WITNEY: Cash and jewellery have been stolen from an elderly couple in a distraction burglary in Witney.

The burglary happened on September 1 at about 11am in Pensclose.

The victim, a woman in her 80s, was at her front gate when a man distracted her by discussing work he claimed to be undertaking nearby.

The victim's husband returned home shortly afterwards to find that rooms in the house had been searched and a quantity of cash and jewellery had been taken.

The offender is described as white, about 18 to 20, slim, with medium-length, light brown hair, and about 5ft 4ins tall. He was wearing a white jacket.

A VW Golf with a 2015 registration is possibly connected with the incident.

Contact police on 101.

Cash on offer

W OXON: West Oxfordshire community projects looking for a cash boost to develop their plans are being urged to apply for a special grant.

The Community Facilities Grant offers up to £50,000 from West Oxfordshire District Council that can be applied to projects including village halls, outdoor play areas, sports facilities and heritage sites. Applicants only have until next Tuesday to apply.

Earlier this year, £110,986 of funding was awarded to five projects in the district.

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Benefits of taking statins played down, claims study

THE benefits of the cholesterol-reducing drug statins are underestimated and the harms exaggerated, a major review by Oxford University suggests.

The study, which looked at 30 years of evidence, also claimed that a third of adults should take statins and the drug prevents 80,000 heart attacks and strokes a year in the UK.

The review, published on Friday, is intended to help doctors, patients and the public make informed decisions about the use of the drugs.

Prof Rory Collins, of the clinical trial service unit at the University of Oxford, said the review of statins showed "the numbers of people who avoid heart attacks and strokes by taking statin therapy are very much larger than the numbers who have side-effects with it".

He added: "Consequently, there is a serious cost to public health from making misleading claims about high side-effect rates that inappropriately dissuade people from taking statin therapy despite the proven benefits."

The controversial drug is prescribed to approximately six million people in the UK.

Residents stage traffic survey in bid for action

• *Residents staged a traffic survey on the road*

By **George Welch**

RESIDENTS of a Witney retirement complex conducted a 12-hour survey to demonstrate the volume of traffic they claim is damaging their property.

The 15-strong team at Riverside Gardens in Mill Street recorded the number of vehicles that drove by their homes between 7am and 7pm on Wednesday last week.

Using a clicker device, the survey found there were 9,848 vehicles using Mill Street.

The highest levels of traffic witnessed was at evening rush hour between 4pm and 5pm when 1,019 vehicles were recorded, with the lowest record between midday and 1pm when there were 652 vehicles logged.

The residents have been concerned for almost a decade about the volume of traffic.

It has caused damage to the road surface and even structural damage to the buildings including smashing a window at the Riverside Gardens complex.

Residents also have considerable difficulties in crossing the road to access the centre of Witney due to the absence of an appropriate crossing.

District councillor for Witney Andrew Coles, and the town's county councillor, Laura Price, were present for over an hour to demonstrate their support.

Mr Coles said the motivation for the survey was because, to increase the chances of finding a solution, they needed 'concrete evidence'.

The plan is to present the findings to a Witney Traffic Advisory Committee in December in the hope they take action.

Mr Coles said: "I think the fact that it's just short of 10,000 vehicles will be a surprise to them because I hadn't expected it to be that high – it really was eye-opening."

Riverside Gardens residents association chairman Ken Smith said the 30mph speed limit should be reduced to 20mph and much needed resurfacing work carried out.

The 77-year-old said: "The road is a total disgrace. It's certainly a lot of traffic for a very small narrow road and the pollution must be dreadful."

Mr Coles said it would be "sensible" to look at reducing the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph, especially with the locality of Tower Hills Primary School and the proposed housing expansions in the town.

The Government has given the go-ahead to a 260-home development at Burford Road, in addition to 75 homes being proposed at Springfield Oval.

Mr Coles said: "So in a very short space of time, we are going to have even more traffic hurtling up that road – this is a problem now and it will be made considerably worse."

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New additions

OXFORD: Moobs, gender-fluid and YOLO have been included among the most recent additions to the Oxford English Dictionary (OED).

Moobs is a term that refers to excesses of fat on a man's chest, while 'YOLO' is an acronym of 'you only live once'.

The latest OED update includes 1,000 new additions.

Image warning

OXON: Young people across Oxfordshire are being warned by Thames Valley Police about the dangers of sharing nude images online.

As part of its new #ProtectYourWorld – stay safe online cyber crime campaign launched last week, police released the results of a survey of young people on Monday.

According to the survey, a quarter of 13- and 14-year-olds from across the Thames Valley said they had received a nude or sexual image.

Triathlon invite

CARTERTON: Athletes are being invited to sign up for Carterton triathlon on Sunday, September 25.

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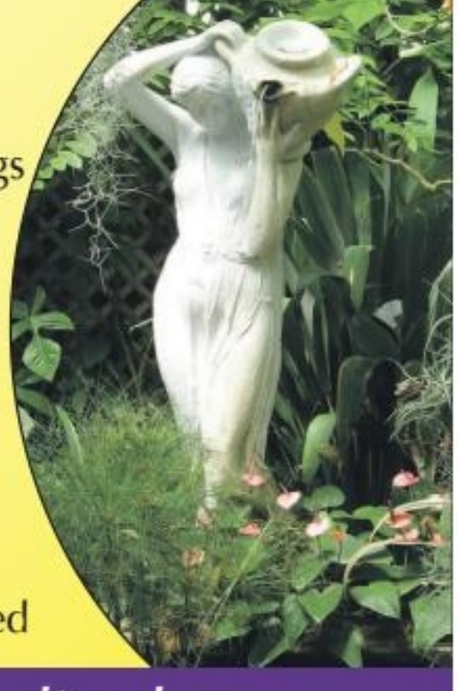

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Airfield housing site sold as part of a £225m deal

By **Dominic Thomas**

THE site of a proposed development of 3,500 homes in South Oxfordshire has been sold by the Ministry of Defence as part of a £225 million deal.

Chalgrove Airfield, which is South Oxfordshire District Council's preferred option for a major housing development, was announced as one of 13 MoD sites sold last week.

The sale is part of the MoD's Estate Optimisation Strategy, which hopes to meet the Government's housing need, with the land intended to be used to build up to 17,000 homes across the country.

Defence Secretary Michael Fallon announced the sale on Wednesday last week, saying: "We are getting rid of land that we don't need to build homes that we do, generating hundreds of millions of pounds in the process.

"Our commitment to protect and increase the budget for our armed forces means that every penny of that will be reinvested into defence, helping to keep Britain safe."

It has been sold to the Government's Homes and Communities Agency.

However, there is widespread opposition to the plan locally and they say the sale should not make any difference.

More than 900 people responded to the proposals for the airfield during a consultation period out of a total of 1,500 responses to seven sites put forward by SODC.

Chalgrove ward councillor David Turner said: "I don't think the sale of the land makes any difference at the end of the day, it's still a planning issue.

"There have been masses of people protesting about the site and the district council will decide whether it would be the site for the homes, and then developers would still have to convince them that it's a good site, which it's clearly not."

Parish council chairwoman Ann Pritchard said: "We're still quite positive that the lack of infrastructure will go against the site. We're just waiting for the outcome of the council's core strategy."

Nearby RAF Benson uses the site for training.

Wing Commander Donal McGurk said the base was unable to speculate on the potential impact on its operations, but expected to be able to "input to the planning process".

• *The airfield is still used by RAF Benson for training*

Clarkson blows up home

TELEVISION presenter Jeremy Clarkson caused a stir last week when he blew up his Chipping Norton farmhouse to make way for a new mansion.

Clarkson, 56, made the move after being granted permission by West Oxfordshire District Counci for a replacement home, described as a 'modest country house/gentrified farmhouse' in July.

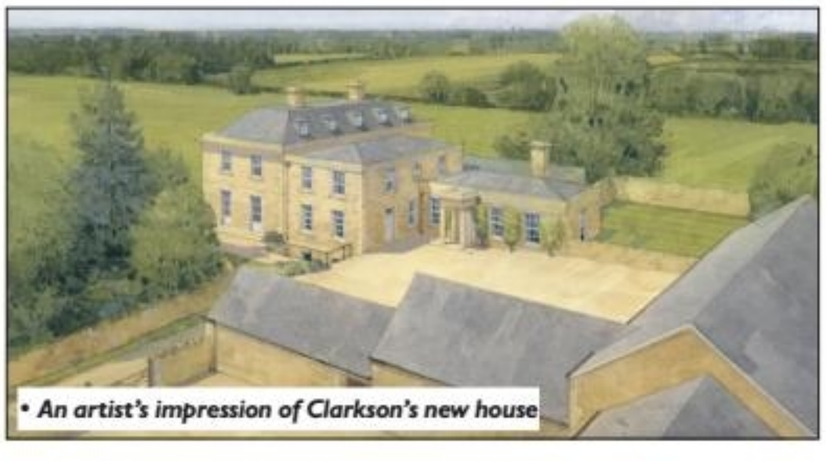
He decided to demolish his Cotswold stone farmhouse with explosives on Wednesday last week, with explosions being heard at about 1pm.

The Top Gear star bought the property for £4.25 million in 2012 and the plans for his new property include an attic games room and cinema. He already has permission for tennis courts and a swimming pool at the site.

His new house at Curdle Hill Farm, Chipping Norton, will be known as Diddly Squat Farm.

Craig Hamilton Architects said in its design and access statement that the new building would be "sympathetic to the landscape" and "respond intelligently to the existing historic architecture within the immediate locality".

The first series of Clarkson's new motoring show, The Grand Tour is due for release soon from Amazon Video, after he left Top Gear following an altercation.


• *An artist's impression of Clarkson's new house*

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Assault arrest

MINSTER LOVELL: A Witney man has been charged over an assault on a petrol station worker in Minster Lovell over the weekend.

At just after 6am on Sunday, a customer entered the shop at Texaco Park View Filling Station in Burford Road and assaulted the member of staff.

The worker sustained head injuries and was taken to the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford.

Kevin Good, 31, of Bartlett Close, who was arrested at the scene, has been charged with one count of attempted robbery, one count of false imprisonment, one count of possession of a controlled drug of class A, one count of possession of a controlled drug of class B and one count of Section 18 wounding with intent.

He appeared at Banbury Magistrates' Court on Monday and is set to appear at Oxford Crown Court on September 30.

Church meeting

OXFORD: Bishops were urged to welcome LGBT Christians ahead of the College of Bishops' meeting in Oxford on Monday.

Those who attended were in receipt of three separate letters urging them to encourage the Church to be more open to people in same-sex partnerships.

It is the first meeting since the Bishop of Grantham disclosed he was gay. About a third of clergy and lay members of the Church's governing body have signed a letter calling for change.

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Robot operation on inside of eye marks world first for city

By **George Welch**

SURGEONS at Oxford's John Radcliffe Hospital have performed the world's first operation inside the eye using a robot.

They made history on Friday by using a remotely-controlled robot to lift a membrane 100th of a millimetre thick from the retina at the back of a patient's right eye.

The Rev Dr William Beaver, 70, an associate priest at St Mary the Virgin, Iffley, became the first patient to undergo the experimental procedure.

In the case of Fr Beaver, a membrane growing on the surface of his retina had contracted and pulled it into an uneven shape. This led to a distorted image, like looking in a hall of mirrors at a fairground.

The membrane needed to be dissected without damaging it.

The surgeons used a joystick and touchscreen outside the eye to control the robot's tiny movements whilst monitoring its progress through an operating microscope.

Whilst robots have been developed for large-scale surgery, such as in the abdomen, until now no device had been available capable of achieving the three-dimensional precision required to operate inside the eye.

On completing the operation, Professor Robert MacLaren said: "There is no doubt in my mind that we have just witnessed a vision of eye surgery in the future.

"Current technology with laser scanners and microscopes allows us to monitor retinal diseases at the microscopic level, but the things we see are beyond the physiological limit of what the human hand can operate on.

"With a robotic system, we open up a whole new chapter of eye operations that currently cannot be performed."

Speaking at his follow-up visit at the Oxford Eye Hospital, Fr Beaver said: "My sight is coming back. I am delighted that my surgery went so well and I feel honoured to be part of this pioneering research project."

• *Scientists prepare for the operation*

Open University puts 'beautiful' Boars Hill house on the market

• *Foxcombe Hall in Boars Hill, Oxford*

THE Open University has put its centre near Oxford up for sale as it downsizes.

The centre's closure was announced a year ago as part of plans to create three new centres in Manchester, Milton Keynes and Nottingham, meaning job losses in Oxford and six other places.

The university is still using the property, but will be vacating it on April 28, 2017.

The 1890s building on Boars Hill was bought by the university in 1976, and covers 3,600 sq metres of built land standing in 6.17 hectares of grounds.

It will be sold through estate agent Carter Jonas, but its guide price has not been disclosed.

Jon Silversides, partner for Carter Jonas, said: "Foxcombe Hall is a beautiful house in the exclusive Boars Hill area which will appeal to private buyers, international investors, education, hotel and care home operators, and developers, who are looking to own a piece of history, whilst having the opportunity to enhance the plot, subject to the necessary planning consents."

The proposals revealed last September meant the loss of 500 jobs across the country, including Oxfordshire, which were confirmed by the university's Council in November.

Following the decision in November 2015, the university's vice-chancellor, Peter Horrocks, said: "This is an important decision for the university and its students as it means we can now introduce much-needed improvements to our student support services – something which simply isn't possible across dispersed, smaller offices."

He added: "No local services to students, including individual support for disabled students, will be withdrawn; however, we recognise the impact this will have on affected staff."

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Mums-to-be call

OXON: NHS England is urging pregnant women to protect their babies from whooping cough as infections rise across Oxfordshire and the south of England.

Cases of it have increased by 25 per cent across the south region, while in Oxfordshire, only 68 per cent of pregnant women are receiving vaccinations against the infection.

No complacency

OXFORD: The director of undergraduate admissions at Oxford University said it would not be complacent following last week's announcement it was set to accept its biggest percentage of state school pupils in 40 years this year.

Dr Samina Khan said the university would continue to "work robustly to ensure that we focus effectively on the most disadvantaged students and in areas where improvement is still needed."

Waste plant tour

W OXON: West Oxfordshire District Council is inviting residents to a free tour of a waste plant.

The hour-long tour, at Agrivert food waste plant in Cassington, is at 10.30am on September 21. To book a place, email feruzah.attah@westoxon.gov.uk or call 01993 861000.

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Square work

OXFORD: More works have been carried out at Frideswide Square in Oxford.

Despite the £6.7m renovation of the square last year, and two weeks of repairs at the end of August, workmen were on site making further repairs on Wednesday last week.

Oxfordshire County Council did not respond to the Guardian asking about the work.

Wanted man

DIDCOT: A Didcot man is wanted by police for failing to attend appointments with the Probation Service.

Josh Abbott (pictured), 20, is about 6ft 1ins, slim, with brown hair and blue eyes, and is known to visit Oxford.

Inspector Ade Hall said: "We would advise the public not to approach Abbott but instead contact police so we can attend."

Call 101 with information.

Family pays tribute to 'perfect' daughter

By **George Welch**

MEMBERS of a grieving family have paid tribute to their three-year-old girl and unborn baby who died after a horrific crash on the A34.

Toddler Isla Wiggin passed away on August 27 at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Headington two days after the eight-vehicle collision near the Hinksey Hill junction.

Her unborn brother – whom Isla wanted to be called Harry – also died as a result of the crash.

Thames Valley Police has not released the name of the family involved in the tragic accident.

• Isla Wiggin

But a statement from the family given out by the force last Wednesday said: "It is with deep sorrow that we have to announce the death of our daughter Isla and our unborn baby son, Harry, as a result of a road traffic accident on 25 August, 2016.

"Isla was as perfect a daughter as you could ever wish for.

"Beautiful and witty, yet cheeky and mischievous, she was a character that you couldn't help but love with all your heart."

The statement continued: "Isla put her heart and soul into everything and all of her friends were 'best friends' who she adored.

"She and her mummy were like two peas in a pod who did everything together.

"Her loving and caring nature would have made her an amazing big sister and she was so excited at the prospect.

"Although adamant that the baby was a girl, Isla said she would like to call the baby Harry if it was a boy, so it seemed only right to do so."

As a result, the family, from Fleet, Hampshire, decided to honour Isla's memory by naming the unborn baby Harry.

The statement added: "We were extremely proud to find out that we were going to have a son, who would have completed our family.

"We are so sorry that we didn't get the chance to meet him properly and get to know him.

"We are very grateful for all of the love and support we have received over the last week.

"Although nothing can ever make up for the heartache that we feel, it is comforting to know that our beautiful children never witnessed any evil in the world.

"Not a day will go by where we won't think of them and all the happy memories that we have shared."

Isla had been travelling with her pregnant 31-year-old mother in a Vauxhall Mokka.

Her mum was also taken to the hospital to be treated for serious injuries, but has since been discharged.

The family's vehicle was one of seven cars and a lorry which collided at about 7.30pm, shutting the northbound carriageway during the evening for emergency services to deal with the incident.

A 58-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of dangerous driving on August 25 – the day of the crash – and bailed until October 2.

The crash happened two weeks and one day after three children and a mum died in an eight-vehicle pile-up on the A34 about 15 miles south, near East Ilsley.

A 30-year-old man has been charged with causing death by dangerous driving in connection with that incident.

Tomasz Kroker, of Tarjan Walk, Andover, was charged with four counts of causing death by dangerous driving and one count of causing serious injury by dangerous driving last Thursday.

He appeared at Reading Magistrates Court on Friday and is set to appear at Reading Crown Court on October 10.

Group calls on university to end monkey experiments

AN organisation working to end animal experiments worldwide has called on Oxford University to end its experiments on monkeys.

The plea from Cruelty Free International on Thursday came as part of its campaign to raise awareness about the use of primates in neuroscience research at universities.

The campaign group said neuroscience experiments are of particular concern because they involved macaque monkeys who were subjected to water deprivation, physical coercion and physical restraint.

Dr Katy Taylor, director of science at Cruelty Free International, said: "We call on the University of Oxford to end its controversial use of primates in brain experiments.

"This brutal treatment of monkeys, for speculative ends, does not belong in a progressive society."

An Oxford University spokesman said: "We are committed to replacing and reducing the use of animals wherever possible and to refining procedures to reduce the pain caused.

"We are not yet at a stage where animal research can be replaced altogether."

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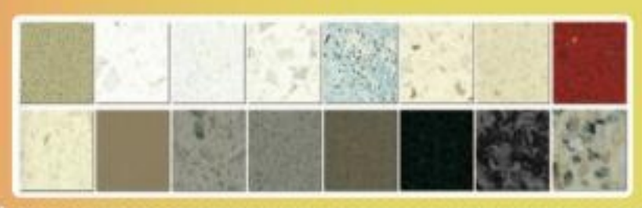

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Sheep die after dog chases part of herd into river

SIX sheep have died after being chased into the River Thames by a dog in Little Wittenham.

Several animals were pulled from the river during the incident on Thursday last week at the charity Earth Trust Farm.

Five drowned and a sixth succumbed to shock and water inhalation overnight.

Church Meadow, at the foot of Wittenham Clumps, is being grazed by around 200 sheep and 25 cows.

Dog owners are being urged to keep their pets on leads when passing through.

Chris Parker, farm manager at the Earth Trust, said: "It's very distressing to see animals killed in this way, especially when the accident was completely avoidable."

The flock is owned by shepherd Emma Blomfield, one of the Trust's Farm Step tenants. She said: "I'm absolutely gutted. The sheep have been so happy grazing in Church Meadow over the last week – I've often found them hiding in the bushes and exploring the scrub.

"I'm devastated to have lost so many animals in one day. It's not the dog's fault, I like dogs, but owners need to be more vigilant."

Election changes spark backlash

PLANS published to reshuffle the boundaries of Oxfordshire's parliamentary constituencies could mean residents will be voting for different MPs in the future.

The Boundary Commission's proposals out on Tuesday redrew constituency areas across the UK to reduce the number of MPs in the House of Commons from 650 to 600.

Wallingford would move from the Wantage constituency to a newly-named Henley and Thame constituency if the plans are ratified.

Oxfordshire would still have six constituencies represented by MPs, however the Banbury constituency is considered too large.

So the wards of Fringford, Launton, and Ambrosden & Chesterton would also be included in Henley and Thame.

The Banbury constituency would be renamed Banbury and Bicester.

Parts of north Oxford currently in Oxford West and Abingdon would be moved to Oxford East.

While the Henley constituency would lose Wheatley, Garsington and Horspath, and Sandford and the Wittenhams to Oxford West and Abingdon.

A public consultation is now under way until December 5 and a decision would not be made until 2018.

By **George Welch**

Head of Electoral Reform Society, Will Brett, said: "The proposed Oxford West and Abingdon seat contains areas from four different district councils on completely opposite sides of Oxford.

"While the new Henley and Thames seat will also stretch from the very north of Oxfordshire to the very south – highly different and geographically distant areas.

"This is an issue of overly stringent rules set by the government on the maximum difference in size between constituencies, which fails to take into account how it will affect communities and their representation."

England would change from 533 seats to 501, losing 33 constituencies but gaining one when the Isle of Wight is divided into two seats.

Sam Hartley, secretary to the commission, said: "They are just the commission's initial thoughts. During the next 12 weeks we want people to take a look and tell us what they like and don't like about our proposals."

Oxfordshire's Green Party spokesman Steve Dawe criticised the plans for using 2015 electoral data.

He said: "MPs of all parties should challenge the proposed changes and ensure that 2016 figures are used, with actual boundary changes only where absolutely necessary."

Labour could lose 23 seats under the reshuffle, analysts have warned.

Cllr Dawe added: "Boundary changes that are widely seen as favouring the Conservative Party cannot possibly be justified."

To comment on the plans go to bce2018.org.uk

There will be a further two rounds of consultation in 2017.

Kilimanjaro climb for Blue Skye Thinking

AN ABINGDON mum-of-two left the comfort of her armchair to scale the highest mountain in Africa to raise money for charity Blue Skye Thinking.

The charity was set up in memory of Abingdon boy Skye Hall, who died at the age of five from the side effects from treatment on an aggressive form of brain tumour called Medulloblastoma in 2014.

Sarah Carter, 40, who works at Abingdon School, climbed Kilimanjaro last month after being inspired by Skye.

• *Sarah Carter (right) reached the summit with friend Margaret Nicholson (left) and brother-in-law Jeff Clark (middle)*

She said: "I know Skye's dad Andrew through my work at Abingdon School. I never had the privilege of meeting Skye but I got to know him and to understand what he stood for through the video clips his family have posted online.

"I will remember Skye for his bravery, his optimism, his desire to help others and his humour."

She raised £1,335 for the charity's 'Aim Skye High Appeal', which hopes to raise £50,000 for a Post Doctoral research proposal at the Northern Institute for Cancer Research.

Mrs Carter added: "During quiet times, I took the opportunity to reflect and to remember Skye and the many other brave children like him."

Sally Hall, founder of Blue Skye Thinking and mum to Skye, added: "Sarah has done amazingly well with her challenge, especially given that she has a fear of altitude and altitude sickness. But that's what the appeal is all about; challenging yourself to do something outside of your comfort zone that you might not otherwise do.

"Skye refused to let his cancer curb his energy and imagination and it is this ambition that drives us, and people like Sarah to support us and the groundbreaking research we're helping fund."

To see Sarah's fundraising page visit: justgiving.com/fundraising/Sarah-Carter40 or to support the appeal visit campaign.justgiving.com/charity/blueskyethinking/aimskyehigh, or text UPUP52 £3 to 70070.

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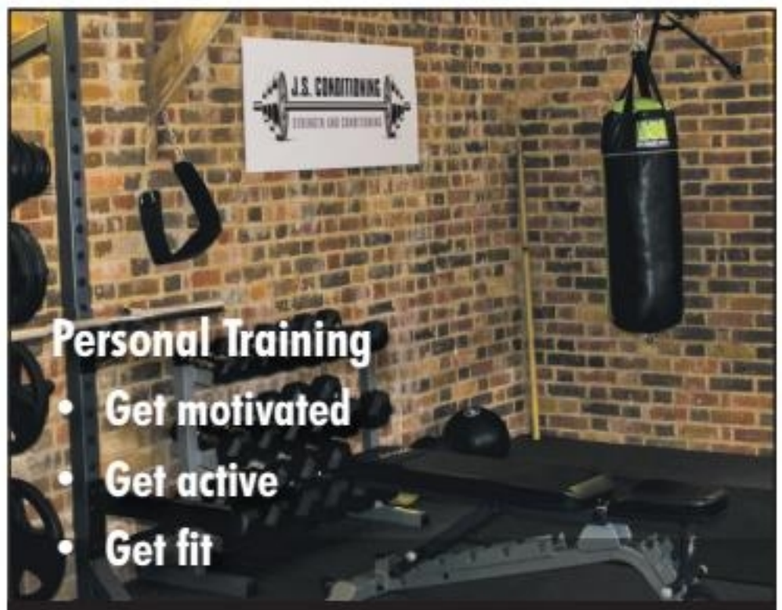

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If your summer holiday involves a lot of driving, hilly or mountainous terrain then you should ideally get your garage to give your brakes a quick once over before you go. It is not something that you want failing during your holiday.

Engine coolant levels

Six million motorists around the UK are risking a repair bill of over £1,000 by failing to regularly check that their engine coolant is at a recommended level according to the AA. This is absolutely vital if you are to prevent overheating in the summer.

It is recommended that you check that your coolant fluid level is between the maximum and minimum marks on the tank at least once a week when the engine is cold. If the coolant level has dropped, make sure that you get it checked out at your local garage because ordinarily coolant levels should remain at the same level between services.

Air filter

This should be replaced at your annual service. It is worth checking with your garage that this has been done and the quality of filter that has been used, don't accept cheap parts, or your car will suffer for it. Due to the amount of pollen, bugs and other debris in the air during the summer your air filter is likely to get more clogged up and reduce in its efficiency.

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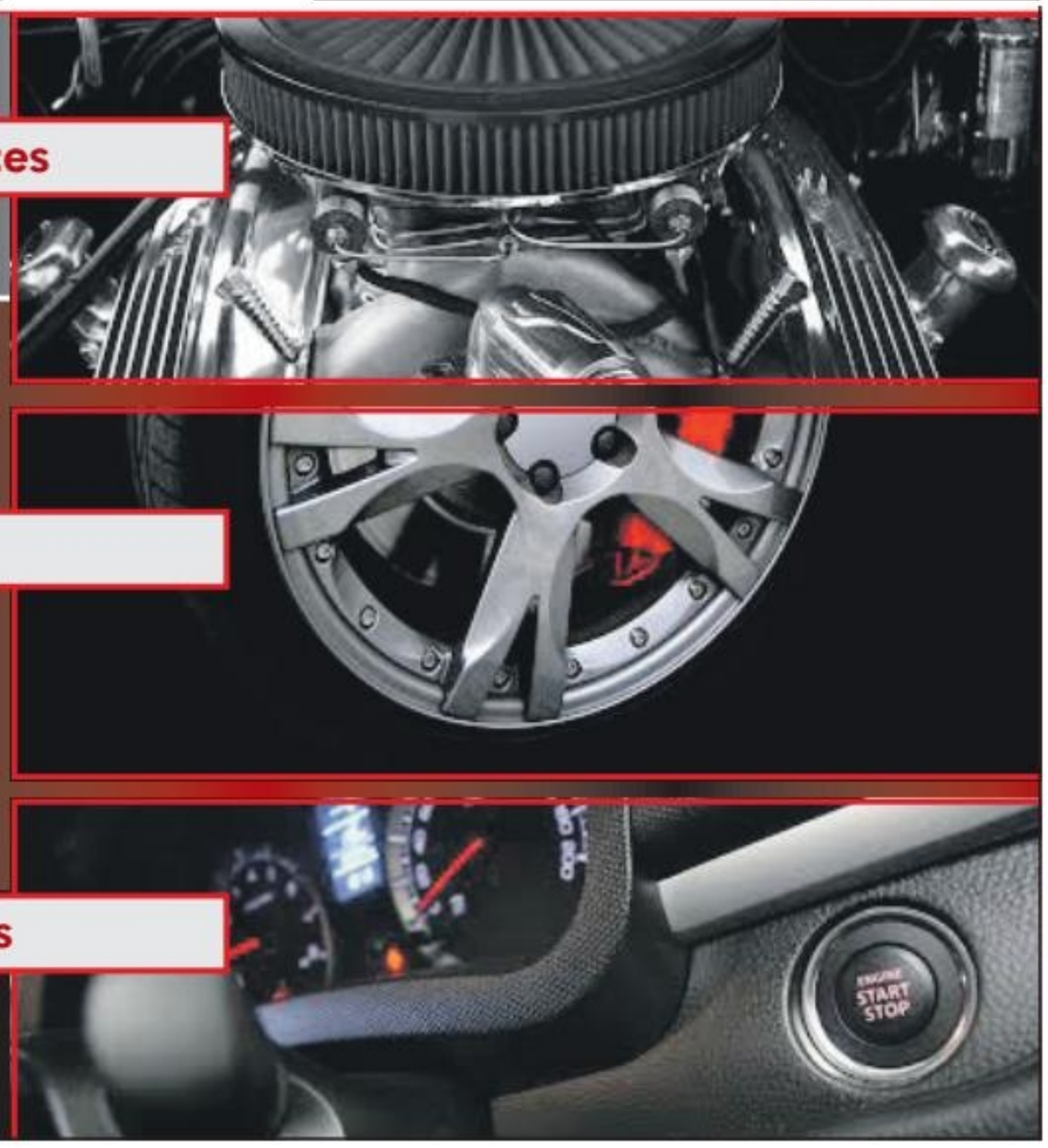

Geological site needs volunteers

CONSERVATION-MINDED volunteers are being sought to spruce up a nationally-recognised geological site in Banbury.

Banbury Town Council is looking for people to give a few hours of their time on some Sundays in October, November, and December to help tidy the Neithrop Fields Cutting.

The site is part of the former ironstone railway built by German prisoners of war between 1914-1918. It linked ironstone mines north of Banbury to the main railway line near the former Alcan factory. The cutting – now a footpath between two housing estates – contains one of the most important rock formations in the country.

Some of the rocks are 183 million years old. They contain rare fossils of long-extinct sea creatures, and the site is listed by the Nature Conservancy Council as an area of special scientific interest.

A section from Warwick Road to Devon Way is overgrown and needs expert maintenance to protect rockfaces, wildlife and plants.

Chairman of the council's general services committee Colin Clarke said: "Many people use the footpath but few realise the importance of the site."

Anyone interested in helping should call Mike Hall at the town council on 01295 250340.

New technology school opens doors to pupils

•Principal Richard Brown with students Maisy Gills, 14, Beth Wyatt-Day, 15, Mason Smith, 14, and Becka Cooper, 14

By **Samantha McGregor**

A NEW multi-million pound school with a focus on sustainable technology has opened its doors in Bicester.

Bicester Technology Studio, run by Activate Learning, will eventually cater for more than 300 pupils aged 14 to 18.

Last week, after less than a year's build, the school opened its doors to its first students.

Principal Richard Brown commented: "We are delighted with our new building. Our staff can't wait to get started and are looking forward to working with our students to rapidly develop their employability skills."

The school will specialise in sustainable construction technologies and business logistics and has partnered with local businesses and organisations including Bicester Vision, Zeta Specialist Lighting, the Cooper School, Oxfordshire County Council and Cherwell District Council.

One of the pupils starting at the school was year 10 pupil Mason Smith, 14, from Kidlington, who is learning business studies and engineering alongside his core GCSEs.

He said: "Coming into the new school today was a bit overwhelming at first but I have really enjoyed my first day. The building feels more like a workplace than a school.

"I knew a few people already from attending the open events and taster sessions, but by taking part in activities today I have already made new friends.

"I chose to come here because I think it will prepare me for my future career much better than a traditional school can.

"By learning in a business-like environment you have a better idea of what you are going to be moving onto."

Another year 10 pupil Maisy Gills, also 14, from Bicester, is specialising in business and product design.

She said: "I wanted to come here because I think it will test and stretch me. I also like the fact that there is a big focus on work experience, which means you learn by doing rather than just by being in the classroom.

"I have learnt to work in groups with new people, which is something you need to be able to do in the workplace.

"The building is really modern but what has surprised me is how much it feels like a business as opposed to a school."

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Horses abandoned

THAME: Police are appealing for help to trace the owner of 10 horses "in a poor condition" that were abandoned in a field.

The owner of a field off the A418 Thame bypass, near the Esso Service Station and Priest End, found a padlock had been broken and the brown and white horses left in the field on Sunday, September 4. They are now being looked after. Call police on 101 with information.

Call for help

THAME: Volunteers are needed to help support primary school children across Oxfordshire.

Children's organisation One-Eighty need people to help with their Kick Start programme, aimed at running sessions for children who are restless or hyperactive in the morning.

People are needed for two-hours a week for a seven-week programme. Sessions involve between eight and 12 children who take part in a variety of creative activities. For more details call 01865 236869 or email sam.payne@one-eighty.org.uk

Emergency day

THAME: Emergency services from across the county are staging a free fun day at Southern Recreation Ground, Thame, on September 25, between 10am to 2pm.

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New helpline

W OXON: West Oxfordshire District Council is supporting the launch of the new national 105 telephone helpline number to make it easier for people to report a power cut.

By calling the helpline, householders will be put through to the company that repairs local power networks.

Blanket checks

S OXON: Electric blanket owners are being urged to get them safety checked free of charge.

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse district councils are teaming up with the Oxfordshire County Council's Fire & Rescue Service and Trading Standards to provide the checks next month.

They will be taking place in Wallingford, Abingdon, Wantage and Henley.

Making progress

BURFORD: An animal rehoming centre in Burford is a step closer to opening its doors following redevelopment.

Charity Blue Cross in Shilton Road has completed the first stage of its rebuild plans, which include a dog and cat admissions unit for new arrivals and isolation areas for sick pets.

Building work began earlier this year and the charity hopes to finish by March 2017.

Damage to roof forces a school to close its doors

By **Dominic Thomas**

A SCHOOL in Kidlington had to close its doors to pupils in the first week of the new term after bad weather damaged a glass roof.

West Kidlington Primary School was evacuated on Tuesday last week after the roof collapsed and remains partially closed while repairs are carried out.

The older pupils were allowed back into the school this week, while the younger ones were taught in nearby Gosford Hill Primary.

Headteacher Simon Isherwood, who had only started in the role the day before, told parents on the school website: "I am fully aware that this decision causes severe problems for you as families; I am genuinely very sorry.

"The school is now being investigated thoroughly. The roof was inspected over the summer and was considered to be in a suitable condition. Recent weather has impacted the school roof."

In a further update on Thursday, the head teacher confirmed that the school would be closed until Wednesday, adding: "Extensive surveying is still being carried out throughout the school.

"I am grateful for your support and patience. I am hugely sympathetic to the level of disruption that this has caused."

Local district councillor Maurice Billington said: "I'm very concerned about it, because it needs to be sorted and the children need to get back to school."

Oxfordshire County Council cabinet member for children and families, Melinda Tilley, said: "I have been briefed this morning, our properties team are in there trying to repair the roof.

"They are on top of it but its taking a bit longer than it should."

A county council spokesman said it was continuing to work with the school in order to repair the damage.

Years 5 and 6 at the school, which has around 200 pupils, will continue to be taught there after the school re-opened yesterday, while the younger children will continue on at Gosford Hill until at least half term.

Hospital pipeline plan agreed

A MULTI-MILLION pound project to install a heating pipe between two hospitals in Headington was given the green light by Oxford City Council last week.

• Two of the pipes being laid

The £14m Hospital Energy Project, which is being carried out by contractors Vitali Energi on behalf of the Oxford University Hospitals Trust, began in January but was halted by the city council.

But councillors gave the project the go-ahead at a meeting on Wednesday last week, despite fears the work could bring traffic to a standstill.

The city council demanded that the company should apply for planning permission before it continued with the work, which would require six months of roadworks in the area.

A planning application for the scheme was therefore submitted and it has now been approved.

The scheme is designed to improve the energy efficiency of both hospitals and includes laying insulated water pipes to reduce energy consumption at both sites and a communication cable to improve data transfer.

The pipes would follow a route along Sandfield Road, Woodlands Road, London Road, Latimer Road, All Saints Road, Stapleton Road and Old Road, finishing at the Churchill Hospital in Churchill Drive.

Headington is also due to undergo roadworks for Oxfordshire County Council's Access to Headington scheme, starting in October, while Thames Water will also be carrying out work on an accommodation project for 180 students.

County councillor Roz Smith, who represents Headington and was opposed to the plans, said: "They gave public assurance that they would make a contribution so I think they realise impact on the community because it will undoubtedly cause a lot of disruption.

"I'm looking forward to working with the community on negotiating what the contributions from the developers will be."

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Study highlights elderly on rise

By **George Welch**

THE rising number of older people living in Oxfordshire could completely alter the nature of society, a new report has found.

According to the director of Public Health's annual report for Oxfordshire, the county could witness a 48 per cent increase in those aged over 85 by 2026.

The author of the report, Jonathan McWilliam, concluded that "the demographic challenge is a real game-changer for services and that there is no 'do nothing' option: change is inevitable".

The most dramatic projection to 2050 shows that there may be 75,000 people aged 85-plus living in Oxfordshire, compared with about 16,000 at present.

Mr McWilliam added that if future figures were anywhere near his projections it would "completely change the nature of society, and services, as we know them".

The report, which was due to be presented and discussed at an Oxfordshire County Council meeting today, highlighted a number of alarming conclusions for the county's policy chiefs.

Mr McWilliam believes the growth in the number and proportion of older people in the population is the "biggest challenge to health and to services".

The report added that new patterns of disease and new forms of inequality would follow.

As a solution, the director's report suggested a shift from a focus on treatment to a focus on prevention, which, it claimed, "will be key".

Anna McKay, marketing manager at Age UK Oxfordshire, said: "We have been calling attention to the challenge since our report on inequalities in ageing 'A Tale of Two Counties' six years ago.

"Oxfordshire, like most rural counties, has to grapple with the demands of a more rapidly ageing population – but this is only a problem if we make it one.

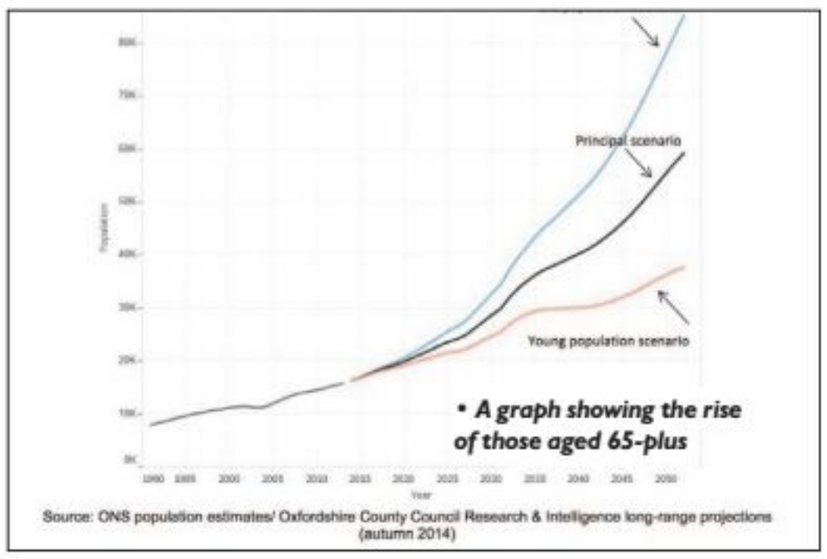
"Older people are economic, community and family dynamos and should be treated as such rather than care casualties waiting to happen.

"So why is Oxfordshire cutting the very community services – carer support, day services, wardens – which help older people remain active, independent contributors?"

Overall, about 17 per cent of Oxfordshire's population is aged over 65.

But, in South Oxfordshire, Vale and West Oxfordshire, the figure is higher than 19 per cent. In Burford, west Oxfordshire, 33 per cent of residents are over the age of 65.

But in Oxford the figure is markedly lower at about 11 per cent.



• *A graph showing the rise of those aged 65-plus*

Source: ONS population estimates/ Oxfordshire County Council Research & Intelligence long-range projections (autumn 2014)

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Trust selected

OXFORD: Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has been selected to be a global digital centre of excellence by the Department of Health.

It is one of 12 NHS trusts that will receive up to £10 million after being chosen to champion the use of digital technology to drive radical improvements in the care of patients.

Disease boost

OXFORD: A team involving Oxford University scientists believe they have found a cause of Alzheimer's disease.

The researchers found abundant magnetite nanoparticles in the brain tissue of 37 individuals aged three to 92 who lived in Mexico City and Manchester.

This strongly magnetic mineral is associated with neurodegenerative diseases including Alzheimer's disease.

Science pledge

OXON: Wantage MP Ed Vaizey has welcomed the Government's commitment to safeguard science across the country post-Brexit.

Mr Vaizey received a letter from the minister of state for universities, science, research and innovation Jo Johnson after a meeting with scientists from Harwell in July.

He said he welcomed reassurances from Mr Johnson that science would remain a priority and collaboration with Europe would continue.

Charity breaks trust link

AN Oxford charity has broken its association with Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust in an open letter to its chairman last week.

My Life My Choice (MLMC), a charity run by and for adults with learning disabilities, made its announcement last Wednesday, saying the trust "delivered nothing".

The chief executive of the heavily criticised trust, Katrina Percy, quit due to "media attention" on August 30.

There had been calls for Ms Percy to resign after the trust had been repeatedly blamed for failing to protect vulnerable patients and to fully investigate unexplained deaths.

However, it was later confirmed that the trust had given her a new job which involves offering strategic advice to GPs.

• *Katrina Percy (picture from Southern Health)*

One of the cases included the death of Connor Sparrowhawk, who drowned in a bath at Slade House in Oxford in 2013.

MLMC has called for better leadership with transparency.

The letter, signed by its trustees, said: "We were concerned at the time that when Southern Health first approached our charity that this was only a patronising PR stunt. Our experiences of Southern Health's leadership over the last three years have confirmed our fears.

"We think that the leadership of Southern Health have badly let us and the NHS down – we do not think that they represent what is good about our wonderful NHS.

"You delivered nothing."

Oxfordshire Association of Care Providers said: "The NHS has been gob-smackingly arrogant and uneven-handed in its treatment of a patient's family and its own management.

"The least the NHS can do at this point is to say that they are sincerely sorry and demonstrate that by involving people it cares for.

"That would be a fitting beginning to ensure that families in the future have confidence in its services and do not have to go through what Connor's family are going through."

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'Breaking point' fear is aired over local plan's effect

By **Samantha McGregor**

COUNCILLORS at Thame fear the impact of a neighbouring authority's local plan would take the town to "breaking point".

The town council has submitted its response to the draft Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan (VALP) after weeks of consultation.

Among the proposals are 600 homes for Thame, a supermarket, 2.5 hectares of employment land, a water reservoir and a new settlement in Haddenham of 5,550 homes by 2033.

But councillors fear the development would have an impact on infrastructure, including roads.

A report by Thame council said it was limiting its response to the plan's impact on Thame.

It said: "That impact is substantial, quite transparent, even deliberate, and cannot progress without the strongest possible challenge. Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC) is being presumptuous in its reliance on Thame."

In August, more than 300 people attended a public meeting at St Mary's Church over the draft plan.

Referring to the meeting, the town council's report said: "The general consensus appeared to be that there was great concern at what was being proposed for Thame, in relation to both the threat of extra housing numbers and that required infrastructure must be provided ahead of housing.

"The further impact of substantial development at Haddenham can only take Thame to breaking point."

Commenting on the proposed housing for the edge of Thame and nearby Haddenham, the town council said: "The VALP proposals for Haddenham for a potential further 5,000 homes means that it would be probable that the population of Haddenham would also reach the 15,000 mark.

"Together with the growth in population at Thame this would fundamentally change the character and nature of the two settlements within their historic landscape.

"There appears to have been no conversation between AVDC and SODC around the likely impact on cross-border settlements."

Planned housing growth for Thame, according to the Neighbourhood Plan, is 5,812 up to 2027.

A further consultation is due to take place in 2017 with the plan being submitted in March 2017. If Aylesbury Vale council approves the plan, it is expected to be adopted next summer.

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Air quality plan

N OXON: PROPOSALS to improve the air quality in four "areas of concern in the district" are set to go out for public consultation.

Cherwell District Council's executive approved the draft Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) last week.

The AQMAs are Hennef Way and the area from Oxford Road to Southam Road in Banbury; Kings End and Queen's Avenue in Bicester; and Bicester Road in Kidlington.

The plan covers 2016 to 2020 and looks at promoting more sustainable forms of transport, such as public transport, walking and cycling.

Wildlife plan

N OXON: A biodiversity plan to protect the district's bats, swifts and butterflies has been approved by Cherwell District Council's executive.

The councillors approved the 2016-2018 corporate biodiversity action plan (BAP), which is included in the council's Business Plan for 2016-2017.

Plate warning

BICESTER: Police are warning people to be vigilant after a number plate was stolen from a car in Anson Way.

The front plate KN55 YDM was removed from a light blue Smart car between 10am on September 4 and 2pm on September 5.

Police warned that stolen number plates were often used in crimes and advised drivers to fit tamper-proof screws, which were available by calling the community relations officer via 101.

Medallist in visit

• *Olympic gold medallist Hollie Webb paid a visit to Thame Hockey Club (picture courtesy of @GrahamJWelsh)*

THAME Hockey Club had a special visitor last weekend - Rio Olympic gold medallist Hollie Webb.

Hollie was at the club for Thame Hockey Fest, on Saturday, September 10, as part of England Hockey's national 'Hockey Fest'.

Great Britain coach Daniel Kerry and Thame's mayor Linda Emery joined the event at the town's leisure centre, in Oxford Road.

The idea of the free event was to throw open the pitch to the local community and encourage more people to find out about the sport and the club.

Club chairman Clifford Brown said: "People don't have to play hockey to be part of our club as there are plenty of other opportunities to be part of their local club community.

"Following GB's success at Rio's 2016 Olympic Games, we aim to inspire more players, volunteers and social members to come together and get into hockey.

"We promise a warm and welcoming atmosphere."

Several junior sessions took place ranging from under-8s to under-14s. Participants took part in warm-ups, practice drills and mini-games. The day culminated with a mini-tournament.

Thame Hockey Club has three men's teams, three ladies' teams, and a junior section. For more information, view thamehockey.co.uk or email Laurence Archer on thamehockey@gmail.com

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As well as Richmond Letcombe Regis, Richmond Villages have a new retirement community opening later this year in Witney. The open day will allow people who are more interested in Witney to view an operational village and learn more about the services which the new retirement village will provide.

Throughout the day David Westerby, Village Manager at Richmond Witney, will be giving short presentations explaining what assisted living at Richmond Villages is all about. There will also be the chance to speak to the Village Advisers from both villages as well as other members of staff such as those from activities, hospitality and care. Plus the Richmond Village hospitality team will ensure there are plenty of refreshments to keep visitors sustained!

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Two speed crossword

Quick Clues Across

1 Border (6)
7 Not professional (7)
8 Undo (7)
9 Relationship (5)
10 Scantily (9)
12 Prosecute (3)
13 Comprehends (4)
15 Plunder (7)
17 If not (4)
19 Floor covering (3)
21 Pertaining to victory (9)
22 Member of jury (5)
23 Capacity (7)
24 Small boat (7)
25 Fanatic (6)

Quick Clues Down

1 Quartet (8)
2 Moves bit by bit (6)
3 Spanish nobleman (7)
4 Worry (5)
5 Spirit (6)
6 Set of three (4)
7 Apt (11)
11 Naked (4)
13 Rebuff (4)
14 Least big (8)
16 Vast (7)
18 Muscular (6)
20 Bondage (6)
21 Experiment (5)
22 Jest (4)

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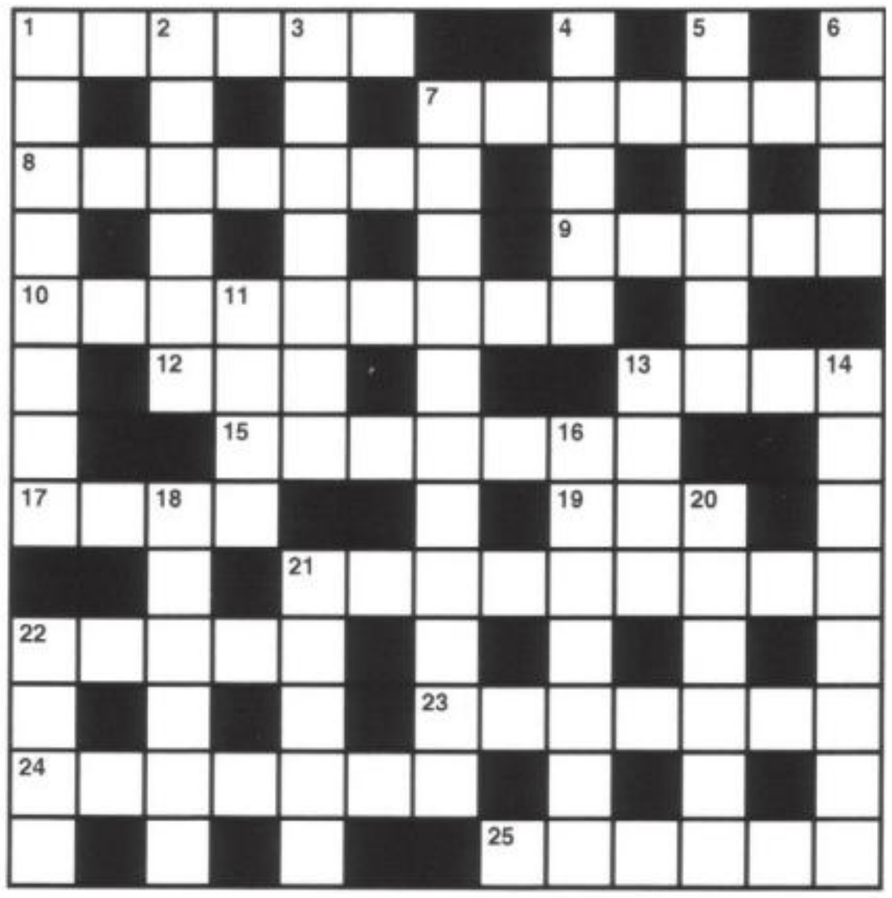
Cryptic Clues Across

1 They're simply revolting (6)
7 Is love no longer set apart? (7)
8 Hold money round the disturbed worker (7)
9 The bottom of the drain (5)
10 Less severe about the fast with a mixed gin
12 You sound beastly! (3)
13 In return, made some cheese (4)
15 Morally improved and could be deified (7)
17 Back part of the forearm (4)
19 Accomplished palindrome (3)
21 Division of equal bird and altered atom (9)
22 Animal sounds sweet (5)
23 Number one part is malodorous (7)
24 A good line for sunbathing chap (7)
25 Soon my return is nameless (6)

Cryptic Clues Down

1 Official musical instrument? (8)
2 Ornament from Bengal (6)
3 How King Edward got to know (7)
4 I am taken in by the bell, though still on the move (5)
5 Conducted round and finally settled (6)
6 A lordly lock (4)
7 In dispute roughly ten are neutral (11)
11 12 gets a letter in jug (4)
13 Produce a paper on the effect of the ocean rising (4)
14 Diana's night-light? (8)
16 I mentioned no men in the issue (7)
18 A spring of plenty (6)
20 Deny and is in a lower position (6)
21 But they're not mountain dogs (5)
22 Very small but has sound power (4)



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4	6	2	1					
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This week's solutions

4	6	2	1	7	5	9	3	8
9	1	3	6	8	2	4	7	5
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2	7	6	9	5	1	3	8	4
3	5	4	7	1	8	2	6	9
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1	2	3	6	5	7	9	4	8
6	4	5	8	9	3	1	2	7
7	3	9	2	4	1	8	6	5

Quick Crossword

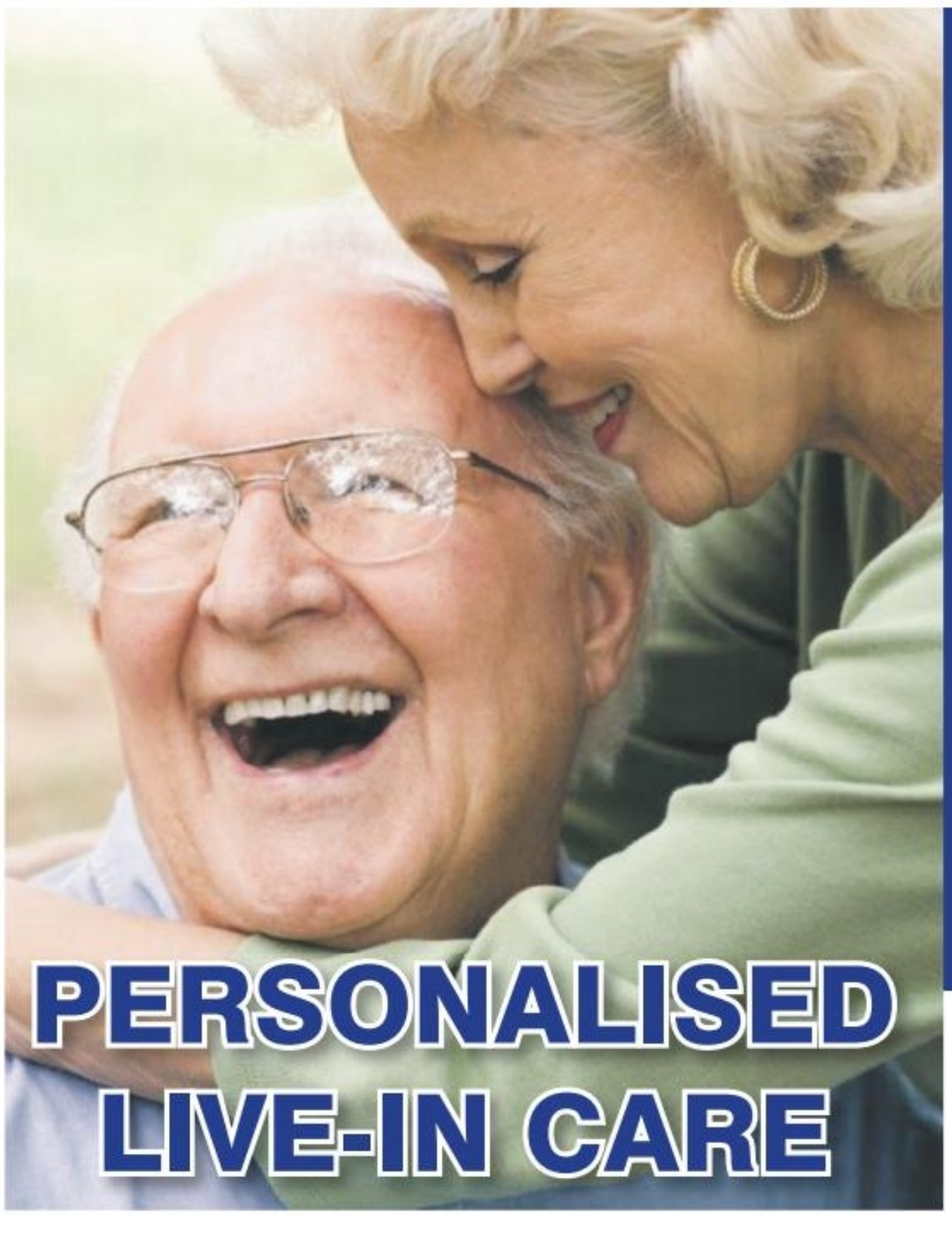
Across: 1 Fringe 7 Amateur 8 Undasp 9 Ratio 10 Slenderly 12 Sue 13 Sees 15 Despoil 17 Else 19 Met 21 Triumphal 22 Juror 23 Tonnage 24 Pinnace 25 Zealot

Down: 1 Foursome 2 Inches 3 Grandee 4 Harry 5 Mettle 6 Trio 7 Appropriate 11 Nude 13 Slap 14 Smallest 16 Immense 18 Strong 20 Thrall 21 Trial 22 Jape

Cryptic Crossword

Across: 1 Rebels 7 Isolate 8 Contain 9 Nadir 10 Relenting 12 Ewe 13 Edam 15 Edified 17 Rear 19 Did 21 Partition 22 Moose 27 Noisome 24 Tangent 25 Anonym

Down: 1 Recorder 2 Bangle 3 Learned 4. Going 5 Landed 6 Peer 7 Indifferent 11 Ewer 13 Edit 14 Moonbeam 16 Edition 18 Abound 20 Disown 21 Pekes 22 Mite



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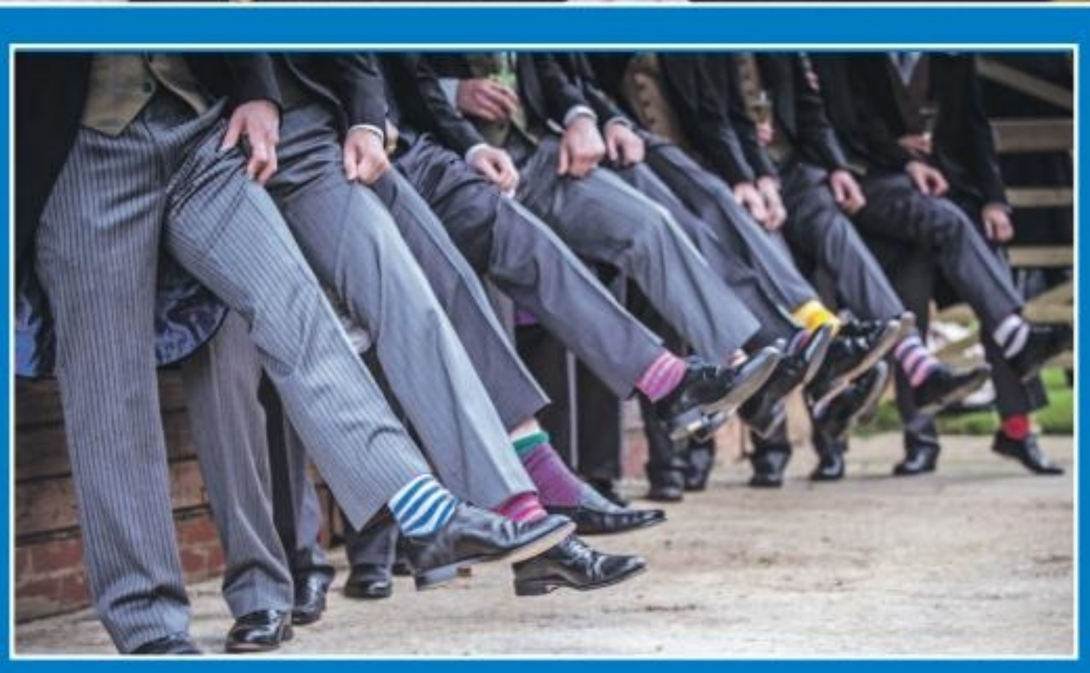

The Changing Face Of Men's Wedding Attire

British wedding habits have changed rapidly during the last few years, and this evolvement continues into 2016.

- The average wedding now costs over £16,000
- The trend for cupcakes is falling out of favour, being replaced with trends like cheese towers.
- Purple is the most popular bridesmaids dress colour
- 18% of newlyweds now honeymoon in the UK and 34% in Europe

These changes are also reflected in what the groom is opting to wear on his big day. At The Cotswold Tailor we have noticed big shifts in demand in both our hire department and our bespoke tailoring service, when it comes to wedding suits.

In 2015 we rented out not a single frock coat, and demand for morning coats fell significantly. When we did rent out a morning coat, more often than not the groom has opted to move away from traditional wedding waistcoats, and instead replaced these with tweed (*see picture right*).

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Possibly the biggest trend, however, has been in the rising popularity of tweed. As country/natural themed weddings have grown in popularity so too has the demand for both three piece tweed suits, but also the more relaxed look of a pair of chinos paired with tweed waistcoats and tweed jacket. (*see picture right*)

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BBC1

Casualty, 8.50pm

DAYTIME

6.00 Breakfast (S) **10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live** (S) **11.30 James Martin: Home Comforts** (S)(R) **12.00 Football Focus** (S) **1.00 BBC News;** Weather (S) **1.15 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **1.45 Live Davis Cup Tennis** (S) **4.30 Final Score** (S) **5.15 BBC News** (S) **5.25 BBC Regional News; Weather** (S) **5.30 FILM Toy Story 3 (2010) (U)** Animated adventure, with the voices of Tom Hanks and Tim Allen. (S)

7

7.10 Pointless Celebrities Popular impressionists take part in the unorthodox quiz show. (S)

8

8.00 The National Lottery: Five Star Family Reunion (S)
8.50 Casualty Sparks fly between Ethan and Alicia while conducting a rescue. (S)

9

9.40 Mrs Brown's Boys Cathy goes to extreme lengths to impress her boyfriend. (S)(R)

10

10.10 BBC News; Weather (S)
10.30 Match of the Day Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches, including Hull City v Arsenal; (S) National Lottery Update (S)

11

11.50 NFL This Week Action from the opening round of fixtures in the NFL. (S)(R)

AFTER 12

12.20 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **12.25** BBC News (S)

BBC2

Gardeners' World, 5.30pm

7.35 FILM Rancho Notorious (1952) (PG) (S) **9.00 Border Country: The Story of Britain's Lost Middleland** (S)(R) **10.00 Homes Under the Hammer** (S)(R) **11.00 Lost Land of the Volcano** (S)(R) **12.00 Great British Menu** (S)(R) **1.30 Escape to the Continent** (S)(R) **2.30 Flog It!** (S)(R) **3.30 The Hairy Bikers' Chicken and Egg** (S)(R) **4.30 Live Davis Cup Tennis** (S) **5.30 Gardeners' World** (S)(R) **6.30 The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice** (S)(R)

7.00 The Severn Bridge at 50: A High Wire Act (S)
7.30 Dad's Army Mainwaring and the platoon try to capture a German aircraft crew. (S)(R)

8.00 All Together Now: The Great Orchestra Challenge – The Final The two remaining amateur orchestras do musical battle at the Royal Albert Hall. (S)

9.00 FILM A Late Quartet (2012) (15) Premiere. Drama, with Christopher Walken and Philip Seymour Hoffman. (S)

10.40 QI XL Extended edition. With Jeremy Clarkson, Sandi Toksvig and Danny Baker. (S)(R)

11.25 FILM A Serious Man (2009) (15) The Coen brothers' 1960s-set black comedy, starring Michael Stuhlbarg and Richard Kind. (S)

1.05 FILM The Quatermass Xperiment (1955) (PG) Sci-fi horror, starring Brian Donlevy. (S) **2.25** This Is BBC Two (S)

ITV

Go for It, 7pm

6.00 CITV 7.25 Scrambled! 9.25 ITV News (S) **9.30 Murder, She Wrote** (S)(R) **11.20 FILM Columbo: The Bye-Bye Sky-High IQ Murder Case (1977) (U)** (S) **12.50 ITV News;** Weather (S) **1.00 Tipping Point** (S)(R) **2.00 The Chase** (S)(R) **3.00 Pick Me!** (S)(R) **4.00 The X Factor** (S)(R) **5.00 Ninja Warrior UK** (S)(R) **6.00 ITV Regional News;** Weather (S) **6.15 ITV News** (S) **6.30 You've Been Framed!** (S)(R)

7.00 Go for It Members of the public are given a chance to demonstrate their most unusual skills in unique challenges. (S)

8.00 The X Factor One last selection of hopeful pop icons face the judges in the room auditions. (S)

9.00 Newzoids (S)
9.30 The Jonathan Ross Show The host is joined by US comedy star Amy Schumer, actor Riz Ahmed, adventurer Bear Grylls, and singer-songwriter Olly Murs. (S)

10.30 ITV News; Weather (S)
10.45 FILM Knocked Up (2007) (15) Romantic comedy, starring Seth Rogen, Katherine Heigl and Paul Rudd. (S)

1.05 Jackpot247 3.00 Murder, She Wrote (S)(R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4

Paralympics 2016 Live, 9pm

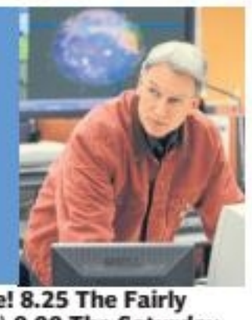
6.10 Gillette World Sport (S) **6.35 Andorra Ultra Trail** (S) **7.05 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **8.00 Frasier** (S)(R) **9.00 The Morning Line** (S) **10.00 The Big Bang Theory** (S) **11.25 The Simpsons** (S)(R) **1.00 Paralympics 2016 Live** (S) **4.00 Paralympics 2016 Live** (S) **5.30 Formula 1: Singapore Grand Prix Qualifying Highlights** (S)

7.00 Channel 4 News (S)
7.30 Paralympics 2016: Highlights with Clare Balding Action from last night's swimming and athletics finals. (S)

8.00 The Last Leg: Live from Rio Adam Hills, Josh Widdicombe and Alex Brooker present the "unofficial closing ceremony" of the Games. Last in the series. (S)

9.00 Paralympics 2016 Live Clare Balding presents the final programme of coverage on the 10th and penultimate day of the Games in Rio. (S)

Channel 5


NCIS, 8pm

6.00 Milkshake! 8.25 The Fairly OddParents (S) **9.00 The Saturday Show Live** (S) **11.00 Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords** (S)(R) **2.00 Police Interceptors: Deadly Pursuits** A collection of the most extreme chases officers have been involved in. (S)(R) **3.00 Police Interceptors: The Fatal Four** (S)(R) **4.00 Police Interceptors** (S)(R) **5.00 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away** (S)(R)

7.00 5 News Weekend (S)
7.05 NCIS: Los Angeles Money stolen by a terrorist group in Iraq is used to set up a bank robbery in Los Angeles. (S)(R)

8.00 NCIS A stake-out leads to a murder investigation. (S)(R)
8.55 5 News Weekend (S)

9.00 Football on 5: The Championship George Riley an Lynsey Hipgrave introduce highlights from the weekend's games. (S)

10.00 Football on 5: Goal Rush Goals from the weekend's games in the Leagues One and Two. (S)
10.30 Impractical Jokers UK The pranksters take part in a round of "Touch the Stranger". (S)

11.00 The Cars That Made Britain Great Celebrities seek out the sexiest, sleekest and most irresistible car of all time, including the Jaguar E-Type. (S)(R

12.00 SuperCasino 3.10 Mysteries of the Bermuda Triangle (S)(R) **4.00** Now That's Funny! (S)(R) **4.50** Divine Designs (S)(R) **5.15** Nick's Quest (S)(R) **5.40** Angels of Jarm (S)(R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Emmerdale **8.40** Coronation Street **11.05** The X Factor **12.05** The Xtra Factor Live **1.05** Ninja Warrior UK **2.05** Totally You've Been Framed! Gold **2.50** FILM: Horrid Henry: The Movie (2011) (U) Children's comedy, starring Theo Stevenson. **3.50** FYI Daily **3.55** FILM: Horrid Henry: The Movie (2011) (U) Concluded. **4.50** FILM: The Waterboy (1998) (12) Sporting comedy, starring Adam Sandler. **5.50** FYI Daily **5.55** FILM: The Waterboy (1998) (12) Concluded. **6.35** FILM: The Mummy (1999) (12) Fantasy action adventure, starring Brendan Fraser. **7.35** FYI Daily **7.40** FILM: The Mummy (1999) (12) Concluded. **9.00** The Xtra Factor Live **10.00** Celebrity Juice **10.50** Family Guy **12.20** American Dad! **1.20** The Cleveland Show **2.10** Mom **2.50** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Movies Now **6.10** Doctor at Large **6.35** Where the Heart Is **8.40** FILM: Rest in Peace, Mrs Columbo (1990) (PG) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and Ian McShane. **10.45** The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes **11.55** FILM: Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (1971) (U) Musical fantasy, with Gene Wilder. **12.55** FYI Daily **1.00** FILM: Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (1971) (U) Concluded. **1.55** Foyle's War **3.55** Midsomer Murders **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Midsomer Murders **11.05** Lewis **1.10** You're Only Young Twice **2.05** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 Queen of Tigers: Natural World Special **8.00** Clydebuilt: The Ships That Made the Commonwealth **9.00** Beck: Steinar **10.30** Kenny Rogers: Cards on the Table **11.30** Country Kings at the BBC **12.30** An Evening with Glen Campbell **1.50** Top of the Pops: 1982 **2.25** From Andy Pandy to Zebedee: The Golden Age of Children's TV **3.25** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **6.10** How I Met Your Mother **6.55** Coach Trip: Road to Ibiza **9.30** Animals Unleashed **11.00** Baby Daddy **12.00** New Girl **12.30** The Goldbergs **2.30** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **3.30** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** FILM: Independence Day (1996) (12) Sci-fi adventure, starring Will Smith. **9.50** Gogglebox **11.55** Rude Tube **2.10** Gogglebox **3.00** Scream Queens **3.50** New Girl **4.35** Revenge

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Kirstie's Handmade Treasures **9.15** Paralympics 2016 **11.15** Come Dine with Me **1.30** Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Ayr and Newbury. **4.10** Kirstie's Fill Your House for Free **4.25** Come Dine with Me **5.30** Paralympics 2016 Live. Continued live coverage on day 10. **7.00** Sarah Beeny's Four Rooms **8.00** Grand Designs **9.00** FILM: Braveheart (1995) (15) Oscar-winning historical epic, directed by and starring Mel Gibson. **12.35** Father Ted **1.45** 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown **2.45** Come Dine with Me **3.50** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 New in Town (2009) (12) Romantic comedy, starring Renee Zellweger. **1.00** Inkheart (2008) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Brendan Fraser. **3.05** The Golden Compass (2007) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Dakota Blue Richards and Nicole Kidman. **5.15** Dear John (2010) (12) Romantic drama, with Channing Tatum and Amanda Seyfried. **7.20** Airplane II: The Sequel (1982) (15) Disaster movie spoof, with Robert Hays. **9.00** The World's End (2013) (15) Sci-fi comedy, starring Simon Pegg. **11.10** The Warriors (1979) (18) Action adventure, with Michael Beck. **1.00** The Crazies (2010) (15) Horror remake, starring Timothy Olyphant. **3.05** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.00 Carpool **7.10** Sin City Motors **8.00** Top Gear **9.00** Storage Hunters **11.00** Deadliest Pests Down Under **12.00** Top Gear **1.00** Red Dwarf **5.00** Top Gear **6.00** Dara O Briain's Go 8 Bit **7.00** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **9.00** Would I Lie to You? **10.20** Mock the Week **11.00** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **12.00** Russell Howard's Good News **12.40** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **2.30** Would I Lie to You? **3.00** Red Dwarf **3.30** Problems **4.00** Close

DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

7.00 Pie in the Sky **11.00** Sharpe **1.00** The Last Detective **4.00** Pie in the Sky **7.00** Father Brown **8.00** Murdoch Mysteries **9.00** Shetland **11.40** Waking the Dead **2.05** Riders **4.00** Close

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 Ashley Banjo's Secret Street Crew **8.00** Game Changers **8.30** Premier League World **9.00** The Fantasy Football Club **10.00** Soccer AM **11.30** The F1 Show **12.00** Futurama **2.30** Modern Family **5.00** The Simpsons **8.00** Duck Quacks Don't Echo **9.00** Mount Pleasant **10.00** Karl Pilkington: The Moaning of Life **11.00** Golf's Funniest Moments **12.00** A League of Their Own: Unseen **1.00** The Last Ship **2.00** Stop, Search, Seize **3.00** Nothing to Declare **4.00** Border Security: Canada's Front Line

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 The Petrol Age **7.00** Urban Secrets **8.00** Cold Cas **11.00** Micro Monsters with David Attenborough **12.00** Blue Bloods **5.00** Without a Trace **9.00** Game of Thrones **11.25** The Sopranos **1.45** Entourage **3.20** Co Case **4.10** The Petrol Age **5.05** Urban Secrets

W SKY: 109

6.00 Doctor Who **6.50** DIY SOS: The Big Build **7.50** Traffic Cops **8.20** The Bill **1.30** EastEnders **4.00** Extreme Makeover: Home Edition **5.00** DIY SOS: The Big Build **7.00** Outnumbered **9.00** Jonathan Creek **10.10** John Bishop: In Conversation with Steve Coogar **11.10** Derren Brown: Trick or Treat **12.10** Motorway Cops **1.10** Grimm **2.35** Doctor Who: The Doctors Revisited **3.00** Home Shopping

GOLD SKY: 110

7.10 Creature Comforts **7.20** Bewitched **7.45** The Two Ronnies Sketchbook **9.40** A Bit of a Do **1.15** Only Fool and Horses **9.00** Bottom **11.00** Bill Hicks - One Night Stand **11.40** Bill Hicks: Relentless **1.05** Knowing Me, Knowing You - With Alan Partridge **2.20** House of Fool **3.00** Stella Street **3.15** Time Trumpet with Armando Iannucci **4.05** Close

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

6.00 Football Gold **7.00** Football's Greatest Teams **7.3** Friday Night Football **8.00** Game Changers **8.30** Premier League Preview **9.00** The Fantasy Football Clu **10.00** Soccer AM **11.30** Premier League Preview **12.0** Live EFL. Cardiff City v Leeds United (kick-off 12.30pm **3.00** Gillette Soccer Saturday **5.15** Live EFL. Birmingham City v Sheffield Wednesday (kick-off 5.30pm). **8.00** EFL Goals. A round-up of recent matches, featuring all the goals from the Championshi League One and League Two. Plus, analysis of controversial talking-points and a look ahead to forthcoming fixtures. **8.30** Nissan Game of the Day **10.30** Nissan Match Choice **11.30** Premier League Highlights **1.30** EFL Goals **2.00** Premier League Highlights

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*Garage

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*EPC C
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Local estate agency Connells in Cowley Oxford are urging homeowners to start marketing their homes now if they want to be moved by Christmas. According to the branch, September is an ideal time to sell your home and by taking advantage of the company's 'Six Week Challenge', customers can successfully sell their property in record time and for the best price.

"September is an ideal time to sell your home," says Julie Calver at Connells Cowley. "It's traditionally one of the busiest times of the year for us with the summer holidays over, and buyers returning to the market keen to purchase before the end of the year."

"Our 'Six Week Challenge' – where we use all our expertise and knowledge of the local housing market to help sellers secure a buyer in less than six weeks - has been hugely successful for our customers over the summer months," continues Julie. "With even more properties required to meet current buyer demand, we would urge those interested in moving to make the most of a buoyant housing market and put us to the challenge!"

If you are thinking of selling your home, keen to move by Christmas and would like to be considered for Connells' 'Six Week Challenge', please contact the local branch on (01865) 748448 or email: cowley@connells.co.uk

Florence Park £385,000

SOLD IN 6 WEEK CHALLENGE

Extended three bedroom mid terraced with original features and parking to front, enclosed landscaped rear garden, en suite to master bedroom, bathroom and utility room.
EPC Rating: D

Littlemore £325,000

Extended and refurbished home offered with no onward chain, ideal for a mature family or investors alike. The property has been designed to offer an adaptable living arrangement, open plan lounge kitchen and diner, study/bedroom four, utility room & WC. Three double bedrooms with en-suite to master.
EPC Rating: C

Greater Leys £280,000

Built by WESTBURY HOMES is this well presented 2 bedroom terraced property being an ideal first time buy. Garage with parking for 2. Both bedrooms benefit from built in wardrobes. White bathroom suite. Located in the desirable close in Greater Leys. EPC Rating:

Greater Leys £255,000

Cul-de-sac location with garage and off street parking for three vehicles, en-Suite to Master bedroom. On entering the property the entrance hall leads into the Kitchen with dining area. The lounge has double glazed doors to rear garden. Stairs to the first landing from the lounge with access into two bedrooms and bathroom. EPC Rating: Awaited

Greater Leys £280,000

Built by Bovis homes is this end of terraced house situated in a cul-de-sac location within the popular Greater Leys area. The property is in good order throughout and perfect for a family or young couple. Comprising of downstairs toilet, kitchen, lounge/dining area, three bedrooms, upstairs bathroom, front and rear gardens, driveway. EPC Rating: D

Cowley/Headington £325,000

This three bedroom mid terraced is fully double glazed and gas central heating throughout. Located on the Cowley/ Headington borders. Accommodation offers: - entrance, fitted kitchen, lounge/dining room, utility, landing, three bedrooms, bathroom with separate toilet.
EPC Rating: C

Boars Hill £195,000

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Blackbird Leys £275,000

SOLD IN THE 6 WEEK CHALLENGE

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Greater Leys £350,000

SOLD IN THE 6 WEEK CHALLENGE

Beautifully presented ground floor flat within a gated development in East Oxford. Offering convenient open plan lounge/kitchen & diner with patio gardens from lounge and master bedroom. The property benefits from an allocated parking space within a secure car park overlooking communal gardens. EPC Rating: B

Greater Leys £280,000

SOLD IN THE 6 WEEK CHALLENGE

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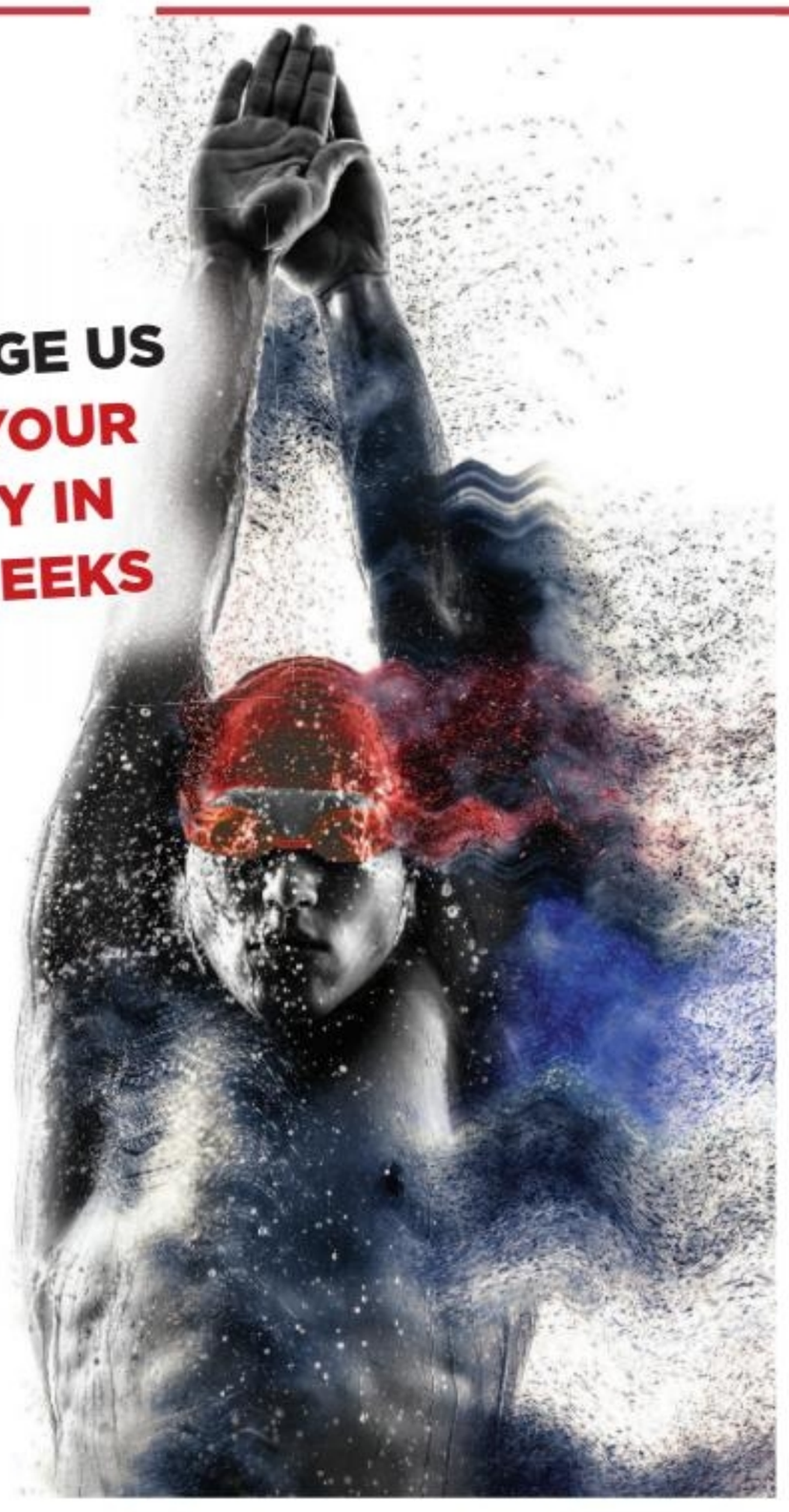

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• *From front page*

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To arrange a viewing or for further details contact selling agent Andrews of Abingdon on 01235 555553 or visit andrews-online.co.uk.

Oxford property prices hold up, with some exceptions

Bill Cooper
Co-author of The Oxford Property Blog

Rightmove has become a dominant channel for house sales and lettings for the UK market, and, it is a great source of comparative data. Now that the summer is over, and as we move into autumn, a lot of people will be looking to move house before Christmas. The agents know that this is an important window of opportunity, and they will out there knocking on doors and posting leaflets to identify people who want to move to get them signed up. Too often the home owners approach conversations with agents without sound knowledge about what their house is worth. So what has been going on in and around Oxford over the last 12 months?

The average price of homes sold on Rightmove in Oxford over the last 12 months was £471,092. That's compared to the national average of £214,000. So Oxford is an expensive place to buy property. Indeed, the City has the largest gap between average house price and average salary for a UK city. Oxford achieved prices are 4% up on average compared with the previous 12 months.

But anyone who lives in Oxford knows that the local property market is an amalgamation of sub-markets, and to get the true picture it is necessary to analyse each sub-market to gain the true picture.

So top of the pops in terms of average achieved selling price is Summertown (£802,558), followed by Boars Hill (£706,096), Cumnor Hill (£451,849) and Botley (£450,839). More affordable areas include Kidlington (£373,801), Cowley (£367,624) and Greater Leys (£254,303).

However, to gain a true insight, it is important to consider how achieved sale prices have changed over the last 12 months. And that reveals a different picture. Kidlington is top performer with average achieved prices rising 24% over the last 12 months. Followed by Marston (up 13%), Botley and Greater Leys (both up 12%). At the other end of the is Wolvercote (down 8%) and Boars Hill (down 22%).

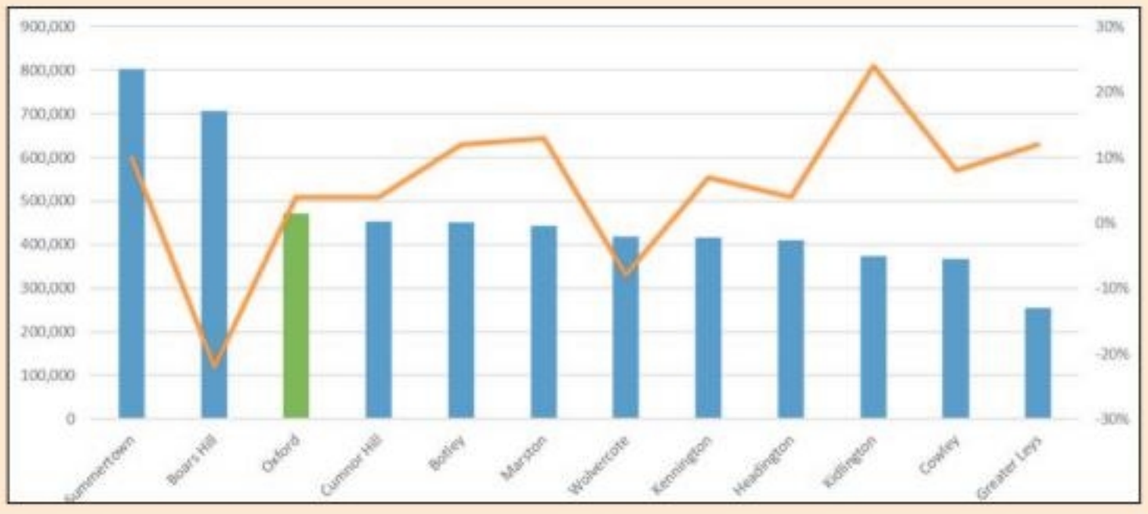
So what are the factors that have influenced Oxford property prices, causing such a spread of performance across the local market?

Kidlington is performing well responding to the investment in the local infrastructure, offering residents easy access to central Oxford due to its proximity to Oxford Parkway, its excellent bus routes and the investment in new homes. Marston continues to benefit from strong demand created by its proximity to John Radcliffe and its wider medical campus. Botley's performance reflects its convenience for commuting in and out of Oxford by Road and by rail, and Greater Leys remains a terrific location for people taking their first step on Oxford's housing ladder and its proximity to some of the City's major employers.

At the other end of the list Wolvercote has had a bad year blighted by the roadworks that have created lines of traffic and general inconvenience. It will be interesting to see over the coming 12 months if it bounces back once the chaos subsides. The 22% reduction in prices achieved in Boars Hill, needs to be considered with some caution, as the volume of transactions is low and so the data can swing wildly depending on the actual properties that are marketed. However, there is some evidence to suggest that top-end properties have been most impacted by Brexit and economic uncertainty.

Too often home buyers, home owners and buy to let investors do not equip themselves with the facts. They don't do their homework to understand Oxford-wide and sub-market trends for capital growth. Buy to let landlords are too often obsessed with rental yield, when Oxford offers great opportunities to combine strong yields with excellent capital appreciation. House buyers can often overlook factors which could adversely impact capital growth, limiting their options when the time comes for their next move.

Bill Cooper is author of the Oxford Property Blog (www.oxfordpropertyblog.co.uk) and Managing Director of Martin & Co Oxford.



Sell now and move by Christmas

Local estate agency Connells in Abingdon is urging homeowners to start marketing their homes now if they want to be moved by Christmas.

According to the branch, September is an ideal time to sell your home and by taking advantage of the company's 'Six Week Challenge', customers can successfully sell their property in record time and for the best price.

"September is an ideal time to sell your home," said Steven Graham, branch manager at Connells Abingdon (pictured).

"It's traditionally one of the busiest times of the year for us with the summer holidays over, and buyers returning to the market keen to purchase before the end of the year."

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"With even more properties required to meet current buyer demand, we would urge those interested in moving to make the most of a buoyant housing market and put us to the challenge!"

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We are sorry to announce that David Hodson sadly passed away on the 26th August, he will be sadly missed by all. A memorial service will be held in his honour on Friday 16th September at 4pm at St Michael's Church, Abingdon. Professional colleagues and clients are more than welcome to attend if they so wish. Consequently, all our offices will be closed on Friday 16th September from 3pm.

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How to ensure your property for sale stands out from the crowd this autumn

Autumn is a busy time for the property market, so sellers must take adequate steps to ensure their homes stand out.

Many people pick September as the time to look for a new place to live, often swayed by the opportunity to be in their new home in time for Christmas, providing those looking to sell with a golden opportunity to take advantage of a surge in demand.

Kevin Shaw, national sales director at property specialist Leaders, said: "A sale agreed in September is likely to be completed in plenty of time for the festive season, so it is no surprise this is such a popular month to get moving.

"But to capture the attention of this expanded pool of buyers, sellers must prepare their homes in a way that highlights their best features and ensures they are bright, clean and tidy."

Kevin has identified three ways homeowners can present their property to stand out from the crowd this autumn:

1) Ask for a second opinion

Homeowners are rarely the best judge of where a property requires improvement. A good estate agent will be able to advise a seller on the areas in need of attention, while it can also be a good idea to invite a friend or relative to offer an impartial assessment of a property from a buyer's perspective.

2) Speculate to accumulate

While this is not the time for high-cost home improvements, investing a small amount of money in sprucing up some of the more unsightly aspects of a property can work wonders. Repainting the garden fence, touching up the paintwork and having the carpets cleaned are relatively cheap, but can have a huge impact on a home.

3) Think about photography

A good estate agent, such as Leaders, can arrange for a professional photographer to capture shots that are sure to impress online viewers, but they rely on a home being bright, clean and free of clutter.

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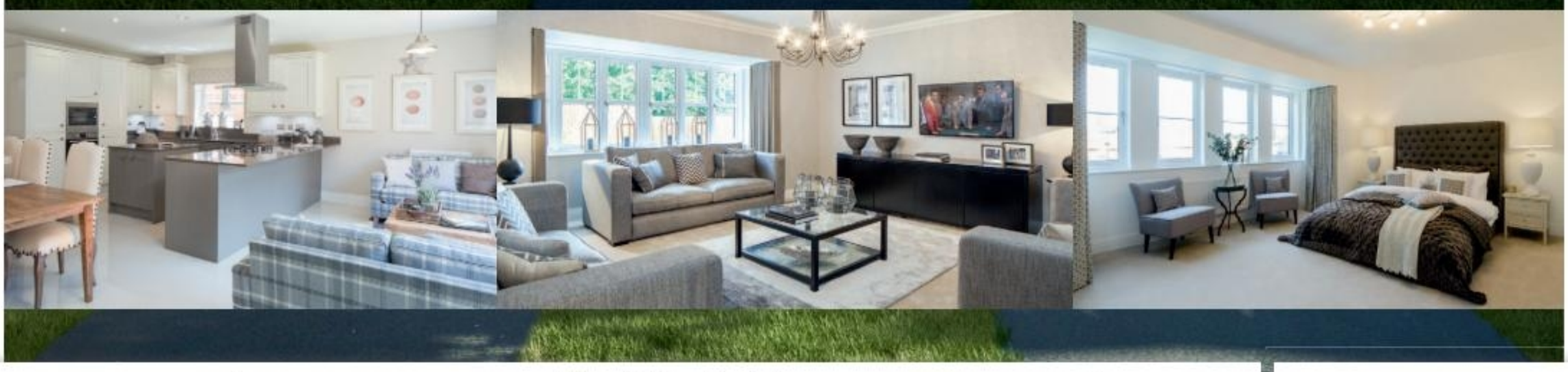

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Sunday September 18th

DAYTIME

BBC1

Antiques Roadshow, 8pm

6.00 Breakfast (S) **7.40 Match of the Day** (S)(R) **9.00 The Andrew Marr Show** (S) **10.00 Sunday Morning Live** (S) **11.00 Sunday Politics** (S) **12.15 BBC News;** Weather (S) **12.30 Points of View** (S) **12.45 Live Davis Cup Tennis** (S) **4.30 Escape to the Country** (S)(R) **5.15 Songs of Praise** (S) **5.50 Pointless Celebrities** (S)(R) **6.35 BBC News** (S) **6.50 BBC Regional News; Weather** (S)

7 **7.00 Countryfile** John Craven visits Great Missenden, Roald Dahl's home village, to discover how a love of the great outdoors inspired his writing. (S)

8 **8.00 Antiques Roadshow** Fiona Bruce presents the show from Hanbury Hall, Droitwich, where unusual objects include a narwhal tusk. (S)

9 **9.00 Poldark** Unwin vows to crack down on smuggling, Ross seeks funding for a new tunneling scheme, and Demelza conceals her pregnancy, convinced her husband does not want a child. (S)

10 **10.00 BBC News** (S)
10.20 BBC Regional News; Weather (S)
10.30 Match of the Day 2 Mark Chapman reviews the day's Premier League action. (S)

11 **11.50 FILM Tropic Thunder (2008) (15)** Comedy, directed by and starring Ben Stiller, with Jack Black and Robert Downey Jr. (S)

AFTER **12** **1.30 Weather for the Week Ahead** (S) **1.35** BBC News (S)

BBC2

Murder in Successville, 10.25pm

6.15 The A to Z of TV Gardening (S)(R) **7.00 Glorious Gardens from Above** (S)(R) **7.45 Gardeners' World** (S)(R) **8.45 Countryfile** (S)(R) **9.45 The Beechgrove Garden** (S) **10.15 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites** (S) **11.45 Lorraine's Fast, Fresh and Easy Food** (S)(R) **12.15 MOTD2 Extra** (S) **1.00 Great British Menu** (S)(R) **2.00 Food & Drink** (S)(R) **2.30 Triathlon World Series: Mexico** (S) **4.30 Heir Hunters** (S)(R) **5.15 Flog It!** (S)(R) **6.00 Natural World – Jaguars: Brazil's Super Cats** (S)(R)

7.00 New York: America's Busiest City Behind the scenes with the team who look after Central Park. Last in the series. (S)(R)

8.00 Scotland and the Battle for Britain Andrew Marr examines the 2014 Scottish Independence Referendum. (S)

9.00 Elton John Live at Hyde Park The singer performs a concert to a crowd of 50,000 fans for Radio 2's Festival in a Day event, featuring old favourites and songs from his recent album. (S)

10.00 Fleabag (S)
10.25 Murder in Successville Emma Bunton helps Sleet solve the murder of a fellow police officer. (S)
10.55 Absolutely Fashion: Inside British Vogue (S)(R)

11.55 FILM A Royal Affair (2012) (15) Premiere. Historical drama, with Mads Mikkelsen and Alicia Vikander.

2.05 Sign Zone: Countryfile (S)(R) **3.05** Holby City (S)(R) **4.00** This Is BBC Two (S) **5.45** Rip Off Britain (S)(R)

ITV

Victoria, 9pm

6.00 CITV 7.25 Scrambled 9.25 ITV News (S) **9.30 Bear Grylls Survival School** (S) **10.00 Peston on Sunday** (S) **11.00 Chopping Block** (S)(R) **12.00 ITV News;** Weather (S) **12.10 Judge Rinder** (S)(R) **1.15 Catchphrase** (S)(R) **1.55 Tipping Point** (S)(R) **3.00 Victoria** (S)(R) **4.00 The X Factor** (S)(R) **5.00 Doc Martin** (S)(R) **6.00 ITV Regional News;** Weather (S) **6.10 ITV News** (S) **6.30 The Chase Celebrity Special** (S)

7.30 The X Factor The contestants arrive at Boot Camp, where they will take on a series of singing and dancing tests. With Dermot O'Leary. (S)

9.00 Victoria The queen's engagement proves unpopular with Parliament, who refuse to grant Albert a royal title. (S)

10.05 ITV News; Weather (S)
10.20 Peston on Sunday Political magazine, presented by Robert Peston, with ITV News National Editor Allegra Stratton. (S)(R)

11.20 Premiership Rugby Union Highlights of the latest top-flight fixtures.

12.15 Jackpot247 3.00 Motorsport UK (S) **3.50** British Superbike Championship Highlights (S) **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R)

Channel 4

Formula 1: Singapore Grand Prix Highlights, 6.30pm

6.15 The Grid (S) **6.45 British GT Championship** (S) **7.10 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **8.05 Frasier** (S)(R) **9.00 The Big Bang Theory** (S)(R) **10.00 Sunday Brunch** (S) **1.00 Paralympics 2016 Live** (S) **4.00 Paralympics 2016 Live** (S) **6.15 Channel 4 News** (S) **6.30 Formula 1: Singapore Grand Prix Highlights** Action from the 15th round of the season. (S)

9.00 Celebrity Island with Bear Grylls New series. Special version of the survival challenge show in which 10 celebrities are marooned on a deserted island with only basic resources. (S)

10.00 Paralympics 2016: Closing Ceremony Live Clare Balding, Adam Hills and Jonathan Edwards present coverage of the closing ceremony from the Maracana in Rio. (S)

2.15 Obsessive Compulsive Country House Cleaners (S)(R) **3.10** Location, Location, Location (S)(R) **4.05** Phil Spencer: Secret Agent (S)(R) **5.00** Come Dine with Me (S)(R) **5.55** 3rd Rock from the Sun (S)(R)

Channel 5

Can't Pay? Breadline Britain, 8pm

6.00 Milkshake! 9.55 The Fairly OddParents (S) **10.30 Football on 5: The Championship** (S)(R) **11.30 Football on 5: Goal Rush** (S)(R) **12.00 Funniest Fails, Falls & Flops** (S) **12.25 Gypsy Kids: Our Secret World** (S)(R) **3.25 Benefits Britain: Life on the Dole** (S)(R) **5.20 Benefits Special: 18 Kids and Claiming** (S)(R) **6.15 Benefits: Breadline Britain** (S)(R)

7.05 Benefits: Through a Child's Eyes Children living in families dependent on employment benefits. (S)(R)

8.00 Can't Pay? Breadline Britain A tenant in rent arrears barricade her front door. (S)(R)
8.55 5 News Weekend (S)

9.00 When TV Goes Horribly Wrong A compilation of infamous moments when television programmes suffered disastrou mishaps. (S)

12.00 The Best of Bad TV (S)(R) **1.45** SuperCasino **4.00** World's Most Pampered Pets (S)(R) **4.50** Wildlife SOS (S)(R) **5.15** Wildlife SOS (S)(R) **5.40** Angels of Jarm (S)(R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Planet's Funniest Animals **6.20** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **6.45** Emmerdale **9.30** Coronation Street **12.00** The X Factor **1.00** The Xtra Factor Live **2.00** Funniest Ever You've Been Framed! Gold **2.45** FILM: Beethoven's 2nd (1993) (U) Comedy sequel, starring Charles Grodin. **3.45** FYI Daily **3.50** FILM: Beethoven's 2nd (1993) (U) **4.30** FILM: St Trinian's (2007) (12) Comedy, starring Rupert Everett. **5.50** FYI Daily **5.55** FILM: St Trinian's (2007) (12) **6.30** FILM: The Mummy Returns (2001) (PG) **7.30** FYI Daily **7.35** FILM: The Mummy Returns (2001) (PG) Concluded. **9.00** The Xtra Factor Live **10.00** Family Guy **11.50** American Dad! **12.50** Dating in the Dark **1.45** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **2.10** Nicole Scherzinger: The Hot Desk **2.25** Teleshopping **5.55** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Doctor at Large **6.25** Bertie and Elizabeth **8.20** Heartbeat **10.30** Sherlock Holmes: The Sign of Four **12.45** Jane Eyre **3.00** FILM: Columbo: Butterfly in Shades of Grey (1993) (PG) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and William Shatner. **5.05** FILM: Carry On Cowboy (1966) (U) **6.05** FYI Daily **6.10** FILM: Carry On Cowboy (1966) (U) **7.00** Midsomer Murders **9.00** It'll Be Alright on the Night **10.05** FILM: Good Will Hunting (1997) (15) Drama, with Matt Damon. **11.05** FYI Daily **11.10** FILM: Good Will Hunting (1997) (15) Concluded. **12.40** Wire in the Blood **2.35** Wycliffe **4.00** May the Best House Win **5.40** ITV3 Nightscreen

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 The Last Night of the Proms from Around the UK **8.30** Britain on Film: War and Peace **9.00** Second World War: 1942 and Hitler's Soft Underbelly **10.30** The Magic of Mushrooms **11.30** The Fantastical World of Hormones with Dr John Wass **12.30** Voyager: To the Final Frontier **1.30** Rock 'n' Roll Britannia **2.30** Duets at the BBC **3.30** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Rude(ish) Tube **6.20** Animals Unleashed **7.05** The Mindy Project **8.00** Baby Daddy **9.00** How I Met Your Mother **9.55** Hollyoaks **12.30** Stage School **3.05** The Goldbergs **5.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** FILM: Fast & Furious 5 (2011) (12) Action adventure sequel, starring Vin Diesel and Dwayne Johnson. **11.35** Tattoo Fixers on Holiday **12.40** Body Fixers **1.40** Gogglebox **2.40** Containment **3.25** Hollyoaks

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Kirstie's Handmade Treasures **9.15** Paralympics 2016 **11.15** Phil Spencer's Stately Homes **12.20** Come Dine with Me **2.35** Four in a Bed **5.20** Come Dine with Me **8.00** Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast **9.00** Father Ted **10.05** The Big Fat Quiz of Everything **11.45** 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown **12.50** Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast **1.55** The Big Fat Quiz of Everything **3.35** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 I Wanna Hold Your Hand (1978) (PG) **1.00** Spy Kids 4: All the Time in the World (2011) (PG) **2.45** The Phantom (1996) (12) Superhero adventure, starring Billy Zane. **4.40** Step Up 4: Miami Heat (2012) (12) Dance drama sequel, starring Kathryn McCormick. **6.35** The Day After Tomorrow (2004) (12) Disaster thriller, starring Jake Gyllenhaal and Dennis Quaid. **9.00** Before I Go to Sleep (2014) (15) Thriller, starring Nicole Kidman. **10.50** Heat (1995) (15) Crime thriller, starring Robert De Niro and Al Pacino. **2.10** Leviathan (2012) (12) **4.00** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.00 Carpool **7.10** Lizard Lick Towing **7.40** Top Gear: Burma Special **10.20** Top Gear **11.20** Red Bull Soapbox Race **12.20** Jay Leno's Garage **1.20** Traffic Cops **2.20** American Pickers **4.20** Top Gear: Burma Special **7.00** Jay Leno's Garage **8.00** Top Gear **9.00** Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You **10.00** Suits **11.00** Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish **12.00** FILM: Sin City (2005) (18) **2.25** Mock the Week **3.00** Suits **4.00** Close

DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

7.10 The Bill **11.00** Call the Midwife **3.00** Catherine Cookson's The Moth **6.00** The Two Ronnies **7.00** Murdoch Mysteries **8.00** The Doctor Blake Mysteries **9.00** Silent Witness **11.25** An Adventure in Space and Time **1.20** Lovejoy **2.20** Sweeney Todd **4.00** Close

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 Hour of Power **7.00** Monkey Life **9.00** Futurama **11.00** WWE: Raw **12.00** Road Wars **2.00** Four Weddings **3.00** Don't Tell the Bride **4.00** Modern Family **5.00** The Simpsons **8.00** The Last Ship **9.00** Zoo **10.00** Ross Kemp: Extreme World **11.00** The Force: Essex **12.00** Stop, Search, Seize **1.00** Air Ambulance ER **2.00** Nothing to Declare **4.00** Border Security: Canada's Front Line **5.00** Motorway Patrol

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 The Petrol Age **7.00** Urban Secrets **8.00** The West Wing **1.00** Micro Monsters with David Attenborough **2.00** Without a Trace **6.00** Cold Case **9.00** The Night Of **10.10** FILM: Million Dollar Baby (2004) (12) Boxing drama, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood. **12.50** Ray Donovan **2.00** Aquarius **4.00** The Petrol Age **5.00** Urban Secrets

W SKY: 109

6.00 The Science of Doctor Who **6.50** DIY SOS: The Big Build **7.50** Traffic Cops **8.30** EastEnders **11.00** Judge Faith **1.00** My Dream Home **2.00** Doctor Who **6.00** Outnumbered **8.00** Beauty and the Beast **9.00** John Bishop: In Conversation with Steve Coogan **10.00** Sherlock **12.00** Code Black **1.50** Grimm **2.35** Doctor Who: The Doctors Revisited **3.00** Home Shopping

GOLD SKY: 110

7.00 Bewitched **7.25** The Two Ronnies Sketchbook **8.25** A Bit of a Do **12.00** FILM: Crooks in Cloisters (1964) (U) **2.00** FILM: Who Done It? (1956) (U) Comedy, starring Benny Hill. **3.35** FILM: A Run for Your Money (1949) (U) Ealing comedy, starring Alec Guinness. **5.15** FILM: Davy (1958) (U) Comedy drama, starring Harry Secombe. **7.00** Richard E Grant on Ealing Comedies **8.00** FILM: Passport to Pimlico (1949) (U) Ealing comedy, starring Stanley Holloway. **9.45** The Young Ones **11.00** FILM: Thank You for Smoking (2005) (15) Satirical comedy, starring Aaron Eckhart. **12.50** The Young Ones **1.40** Human Remains **2.20** Stella Street **2.40** Time Trumpet with Armando Iannucci **3.20** Stella Street **4.00** Close

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

6.00 Football Gold **7.00** Premier League 100 Club **7.30** EFL Goals **8.00** Premier League Highlights **10.00** The Sunday Supplement **11.30** Goals on Sunday **1.30** Live Nissan Super Sunday. **4.15** Live Nissan Super Sunday. Tottenham Hotspur v Sunderland (kick-off 4.30pm). **7.00** Great Sporting Moments **7.15** Live La Liga Football. Espanyol v Real Madrid (kick-off 7.45pm). **9.20** Football Gold **10.00** Premier League Highlights **11.00** Goals on Sunday **12.00** Premier League Highlights **1.00** Premier League Years **3.00** Goals on Sunday **4.00** Premier League Years

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ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

Frustrations inspire comic

COMEDIAN Marcus Brigstocke has been feeling a bit down this year.

Brexit, Donald Trump, Cheese Strings, ISIS, tax avoiders and the mysterious popularity of nail bars have seen the 43-year-old feeling a bit frustrated and glum during 2016.

By **James Richings**

So it's no surprise that the comedian has written the topics into his new show 'Why The Long Face?', which comes to Chipping Norton Theatre on Sunday, September 18.

• *Marcus Brigstocke*

The date is the third stop of his UK tour which will see Marcus travel as far south as Exeter and as far north as Carlisle over the autumn and winter months.

And with his previous stand-up show, 'Je m'accuse - I am Marcus' being a huge hit around the country two years ago, he hopes his new material will go down just as well.

Marcus said: "Being a comedian is a great job.

"My kids are happy and healthy, I own a house and I'm blissfully happy in a new relationship.

"I really have nothing I should not be grateful for, and yet I spend a lot of time gnashing my teeth and railing against the system.

"So the show is about saying, hang on a minute, I actually have a very charmed life, and I should be very grateful for it'."

Even though Marcus has become a well-respected comedian, actor and television presenter, the comedian's teenage years and early 20s were littered with personal problems.

A self-confessed goth back in his youth, the entertainer has battled many food, drink and drug addictions, even admitting he stole food and alcohol from shops to keep the habits going.

He took odd jobs as a podium dancer and worked on an oil rig after he dropped out of Bristol University, but eventually Marcus found solace in showbusiness, appearing on a list of television shows such as 'Have I Got News For You', 'QI' and 'Would I Lie to You'.

Brigstocke is also a popular radio presenter, regularly presenting on BBC Radio 4.

He said of his comedy work: "You come to my show, and I make you laugh, and if I don't, I haven't done my job.

"I act, write and make radio shows, but stand-up is a much more direct form of interaction.

"The audience helps me shape the show.

"In previews, they help me work out where the edges are.

"I go up to them, but I never go over them."

He added: "If you laugh, I've been understood. I love how honest that is.

"In this country, the idea of free speech is very pure and as a stand-up, you're never stifled.

"I'm very proud to say that I have never ended a tour thinking 'Oh dear, I've let them down'."

His Chipping Norton show starts at 7.45pm and is suitable for over-14s. Tickets cost £17.50.

Numan hopes for good O2 reaction

SEVENTIES and eighties icon Gary Numan brings his UK tour to the O2 Academy in Oxford on Thursday, September 22.

The 58-year-old, best known for his worldwide hit 'Cars' 37 years ago, hopes songs from his new album due to be released next year will go down well with the crowd at the Cowley Road venue.

"Performing to an audience that doesn't like your work is a real bad way to spend an hour or two," he said. "But, everything about playing to an enthusiastic audience is great.

"The atmosphere, the excitement, the ego massaging are all very enjoyable things."

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Dickens' tale retold

ONE of Charles Dickens' most famous novels will be brought to life when a stage adaptation of 'A Tale of Two Cities' visits the Oxford Playhouse from Tuesday to Saturday, September 20 to 24.

By **James Richings**

Published in 1859, it looks at events in Paris and London before and during the French Revolution, with the story focusing on Charles Darnay, an upper-class wealthy Frenchman who is angry and frustrated that his uncle treats French peasants with no respect.

Playwright Mike Poulton, who penned the adaptation, revealed that changing one of the world's most famous novels was not an easy task.

He said: "You always end up reading the novel and you think 'that's a wonderful bit' but you know it won't be part of the play because it doesn't contribute to the dramatic structure and it has to go.

"I remember saying to novelist Hilary Mantel, who wrote 'Wolf Hall' which I also adapted for the stage that 'the saddest thing is we will lose all our favourite bits' but there is so much there that is play-like and dramatic.

"Charles Dickens was a great man of the theatre so he thinks in scenes, he thinks visually, so I was able to identify and use those parts of the novel that would lend themselves into reconstructing it as a play. It's always tough."

The play comes to the Beaumont Street venue as part of its UK tour following successful reviews after its premiere at Northampton's Royal & Derngate Theatre in February 2014.

With the novel being regarded as one of Dickens' best pieces of work, Mike hopes that the adaptation will live long in the audience's memory despite the changes he has made to the original story.

He said: "Dickens is a brilliant writer and with his ability to take whole chunks of society and make them real and accessible.

"He was a man of the theatre and I think the reason he thought 'A Tale Of Two Cities' was his best piece of work is the same reason that I think 'A Tale Of Two Cities' is his best, in that it's so dramatic.

"You're never allowed to draw breath. You're swept along by events and so many times throughout the novel you think that it's hopeless and it is going to end badly, then of course it doesn't."

Tickets for the production cost from £11.50 to £24.50.

• A Tale of Two Cities visits the Oxford Playhouse from Tuesday, September 20, to Saturday, September 24

Giles and band set to play Bullingdon

THE sound of pure raw blues tunes will fill the Bullingdon in Oxford when musician Giles Robson and his band visits the Cowley Road venue on Monday, September 19.

The harmonica player, harpist and singer and trusty Giles Robson Band comprising Andy Knight on guitar, bassist Jeff Walker and Darren Crome on drums will be performing numbers from their new album 'For Those Who Need the Blues' due out in October.

With Giles attracting sell-out crowds, he hopes the gig will be another successful set.

"My music is completely spontaneous and the twelve bar blues form is highly adaptable," he told the Guardian. "It can be moulded to how an audience is reacting right there and then.

"If the audience are locked into it sometimes a song will stretch out to up to 30 minutes long and at the end of the song they will still want more.

"We can soften a loud song down so low you can hear a pin drop.

"It's awesome music to play as the sky's the limit as to all the on-the-spot ideas you bring to it during a gig."

The gig starts at 8pm and tickets cost £11.

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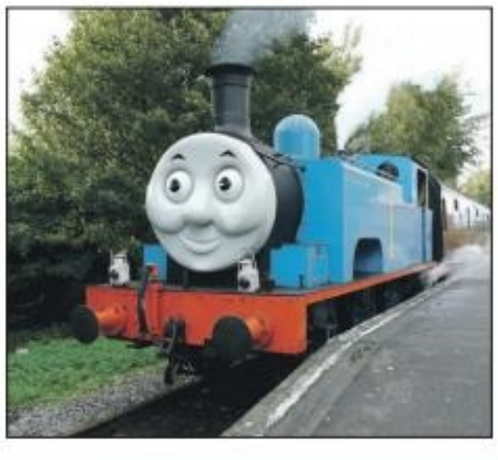

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ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

Abbey hosts music extravaganza

THE walls of Dorchester Abbey are set to echo to the sound of beautiful classical music when the annual Music in the Abbey festival returns for 10 days starting today.

By **James Richings**

Created by conductor John Lubbock, it will see many musicians and groups, such as Jan Schmolck, Michel Tirabosco, The Benson Choral Society and, of course, John's own Orchestra of St John, perform.

With the first event being a 'Music for Autism' concert, John explained why he decided to host an event for people with the disorder, saying: "I have an autistic son and my wife started our charity, Music for Autism.

"With members of my orchestra, I give 60 days a year of interactive concerts to autistic people and others with disabilities.

"And anyone who attends this year's event can expect music making of the very highest standard - interesting programmes and one of the most beautiful venues I have ever played in.

"I really want people to have a wonderful and uplifting time at my concerts through the artistry of the soloists and the orchestra and the glorious music."

The Music for Autism concert today from noon to 1pm features Derek Paravicini (piano) and light music and some jazz with soprano Chrstine Cairns.

• John Lubbock

• The Orchestra of St John in action

Admission is free.

Music in the Abbey was launched in 1998 but even before then, John was already making his name in music.

Just over 30 years earlier, John had formed the Orchestra of St John's Smith Square, now known as Orchestra of St John's, which he has led on tours to Italy, Spain, Germany, Belgium and the USA as well as the UK.

The time and commitment John put into the orchestra did not go unnoticed and in 2015, he was awarded an OBE for his services to music.

Talking of how he started in music, he said: "I didn't get any advice when I started music.

"I wasn't really thinking of starting an orchestra as it all happened very naturally and organically, growing out of the chamber group.

"And the OBE was humbling but saddening that it couldn't be Orchestra of St John's OBE."

John said: "Lots of youngsters come and ask me if they should go into the profession (music) and I always say to them if they have to ask then don't bother - this is something to do if you cannot not do it. I never had to think about it. It can be a hard life so you need to be 110 per cent committed."

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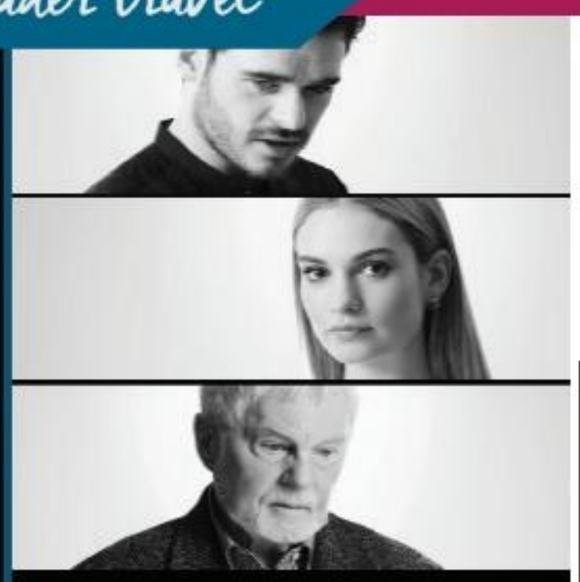

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Thu, Sep 15, 7.30pm
New Theatre, Oxford
ONE NIGHT OF QUEEN
In 2000, Gary Mullen won ITV's "Stars In Their Eyes" Live Grand Final, with the largest number of votes ever received in the shows history. The record of 864,838 votes was more than twice that of the runner-up. Gary began touring on his own and in 2002 formed a band The Works, to pay tribute to rock legends Queen. Since May 2002, Gary Mullen and the Works have performed throughout the UK, USA, Europe, South Africa and New Zealand to sell-out audiences. The outfit have also twice rocked the prestigious BBC Proms in the Park, in front of a very enthusiastic crowd of 40,000. One Night of Queen is a spectacular live concert, recreating the look, sound, pomp and showmanship of arguably the greatest rock band of all time. This show will ROCK you!

Thu, Sept 15 – Fri, Sept 16
Oxford Playhouse, Oxford
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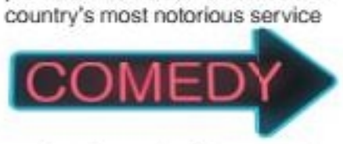

stations in search of the man who became his father.

Fri, Sep 16, 6.30pm
O2 Academy, Oxford
HOMEPLANETEARTH
Five musicians coming together to create atmospheric individual sounds, homeplanetearth formed in the heart of rural Oxfordshire.

Sat, Sep 17, 10pm
O2 Academy, Oxford
OXFORD BROOKES WELCOME PARTY
Celebrate arriving at Oxford Brookes with the official freshers' week moving in party. With ball pits, confetti and CO2 cannons, it's the perfect to kick off your student life with a bang.

Saturday, September 17, 6.30pm
O2 Academy, Oxford
THE HUMMINGBIRDS
Heavily influenced by music from a simpler time, The Hummingbirds grew up on the streets of Merseyside are an ambitious five-piece that can rouse a crowd like no other.

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Sunday, September 18, 7pm
O2 Academy, Oxford
SUNDARA KARMA
Having spent 2015 firmly establishing themselves as ones-to-catch on the live circuit and festival tents, Sundara Karma's captivatingly intense live shows have truly won the hearts of their crowd, building a dedicated cult fan base.

Tue, Sept 20 – Sat, Sept 24
Oxford Playhouse, Oxford
A TALE OF TWO CITIES
In an age when governments across the world face increasing unrest, Dickens' classic tale seems more relevant than ever. With a bold new dramatic adaptation byMike Poulton (Wolf Hall, RSC) and rousing music by Oscar-winning Rachel Portman, this production is alive with passion and rebellion.Considered by Dickens to be "the best story I have ever written".
this tale weaves an intense family drama with the terror and chaos of the French Revolution. An epic story of love, sacrifice and redemption amidst an ever-changing world.

Thu, Sept 22, 7pm
O2 Academy, Oxford
GARY NUMAN
Tubeway Army frontman Gary Numan celebrates his classic albums Replicas, The Pleasure Principle and Telekon. His new tour follows the success of his sold-out London residence in 2015.

Fri, Sept 23, 8pm
Cornerstone Arts Centre, Didcot
ANDY ROBBINS AND MICHAEL AXENDERRIE
Signed to BFS records and a regular performer at Cornerstone, Andy has performed at the last two beer and music festivals and blows everyone away with the power and intensity of his performances. What we are really excited about is not just his great voice and passionate guitar-playing but the calibre of his song writing.
His latest work is really something to get excited about and we feel he is on the brink of becoming a huge name. He is already a regular on the Oxford music scene, having performed at the O2 Academy and Jericho Tavern but has also performed in almost every major city in the UK as well as playing several European dates.
The Music Box from Wallingford will have a pop-up shop here selling vinyl and CDs before the gig.

Fri, Sep 23, 6.30pm
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Sun, Sep 25, 8pm
New Theatre, Oxford
SEAN LOCK
Every three years the comedian Sean Lock writes and tours a new stand-up show. Well he's only gone and done it again! What's he like? Come and see what he's blithering on about this time.

Mon, Sept 26, 7.30pm
Oxford Playhouse, Oxford
THE AMPLITUDE
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Mon, Sept 26, 7.30pm
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Tue, Sept 27 – Sat, Oct 1,
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Wed, Sep 28, 8pm
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Wed, Sep 28 & Fri, Sep 7
Corn Exchange, Wallingford
PANTOMIME TABLE READ AND AUDITIONS
The Wallingford Corn Exchange's actors, the Sinodum Players are looking actors to take part in next year's family show, 'The Pied Piper'.
A read-through of the script will take place on Wednesday, September 28 with auditions happening nine days later on Friday, October 7 at 7.45pm at the Market Place theatre.
For more information, please email Julie Utley and Caroline Wilkes on julieutley@aol.com or caroline@chilterntherapy.com.

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But using air conditioning in the winter isn't just about keeping cool, as many experts will attest.

So what benefits does it have?

Even if you don't want your car to be any cooler than it is, you should run your air conditioning system at least every couple of weeks for a short spell on the full cold setting (10 minutes should be fine), allowing the coolant to circulate through the system.

This is because the coolant contains a lubricant that helps to keep all the rubber seals and pipework in good condition.

Failing to use your air conditioning for a long period means the coolant will not move around and the lubricant not act on the rubber parts.

That can lead to leaky seals, which can cause your coolant to ebb away, resulting in more frequent re-gasses, or, in particularly bad instances, systems which will not hold gas at all and need to have their seals changed.

Without frequent use, moisture can build up within the air vent ducts that the system uses to pipe cold air to the air vents. This moisture can cause mould and bacteria to form, which are then blown into the car when you start the system again after weeks or months of inactivity.

Air conditioning is also an important tool to help you maintain your visibility through the winter months. It doesn't just cool the air in your car, it dries it too.

That means using the air conditioning removes moisture in the air, which is particularly useful in the winter. It helps to keep your windscreen and windows clear, so if you're steaming up, turning the air conditioning on will help enormously, and can help clear mist from the glass sooner, enabling you to set off with clear screens earlier than you otherwise would.

But I want to be warm. Won't air conditioning cool me down?

Not if you leave it on and turn the heater to warm. Doing this means the air conditioning system still runs, so you can keep it lubricated and benefit from the drying effect it gives, but you get warm air in the car.

My windows steam up even with my air conditioning turned on. Why is that?

If you've had your air conditioning turned off for a while, the moisture that's collected in the ducts will be blown out into the car at first, which is why you always get a misting effect.

If the mist persists for longer than a minute or so, it could be for one of two reasons. If you're using your air conditioning in conjunction with the "recirculate" feature – the one that closes off the outside air to prevent fumes from entering the car – your windows will still steam up, because air moist with your breath is being recirculated faster than it can be dried by the system.

Turning the "recirculate" function off again will usually solve the problem. If it doesn't, you could have a problem with your air conditioning or cooling system, so you should get your garage checked over at a garage.

What about the extra fuel it's using? It's true that your air conditioning system uses more fuel when it's turned on. But then, if you don't have it turned on, you might need to crack a window open to help clear the mist from your screen – and the damaging effect this has on your car's aerodynamics will cause you to use up around the same amount of fuel.

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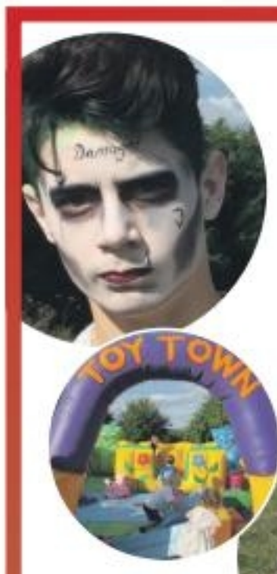

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Hundreds of colleagues of Eden Motor Group and their families descended on the Oxford Belfry Hotel on Sunday for a day of bouncy castles, barbecues, and boisterous fun and games. Following the success of last year's inaugural Family Fun Days, the company has decided to turn them into an annual tradition across all of its regions. So for one day every year, it'll be out with sales targets, and in with salad bars and soft play. Face painting over finance settlements.

Last year, around 700 members of the wider Eden family attended a regional Family Fun Day, and this time upwards of 1000 are expected to attend. This included around 500 at Eden's Thames Valley South Central event/ South Coast Event on Sunday.

While getting to know colleagues and their families in a fun, family-friendly environment is the main theme, there's also room for lots of good-natured competition. A giant inflatable football match was a highlight of last week's Family Fun Day in Exeter, and plenty more games for adults and kids alike were equally as popular on Sunday.

The purpose of these days from the outset has been to reward and encourage colleagues. That's why entry, entertainment and refreshments are all free, even down to the complimentary ice cream and irresistible choice of toppings, which flowed freely to meet demand for the full six hours!

Graeme Potts, founder and Managing Director, said: "This is a great opportunity to relax, have fun and socialise with other Eden colleagues and their families, and is one way of the company saying thank you to the wider Eden family for hard work, support and flexibility."

Family Fun Days are just one example of Eden's commitment to investing and supporting its colleagues. For example, unusually amongst motor retailers, the company operates a six-day working week, closing on Sundays so all colleagues can "have a chance to enjoy high quality family time" in the words of Graeme Potts.

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61/11	Volvo XC60 D5 R-Design Premium Nav 2.4, Savile Grey Metallic with 74,600 miles	£16,990
64/14	Volvo V40 D4 SE Lux Nav (Winter Pack, Parking Camera) 2.0, Caspian Blue with 24,000 miles	£16,990
16/16	Volvo V40 D2 Lux 2.0, Flamenco Red with 7,000 miles	£17,990
65/15	Volvo V40 R-Design Nav (Winter Pack) 2.0, Osmium Grey with 4,100 miles	£17,990
16/16	Volvo V40 D2 R-Design Lux 2.0, Onyx Black with 5,500 miles	£17,995
16/16	Volvo V40 D3 R-Design Nav 2.0, Electric Silver with 10,700 miles	£18,890
65/15	Volvo S60 SE Lux Nav 2.0, Electric Silver with 9,500 miles	£18,990
65/15	Volvo V40 D4 R-Design Nav (Winter Pack & Part Assist) 2.0, Electric Silver with 4,800 miles	£18,990
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13/13	Volvo XC60 D5 R-Design Nav 2.4, Ice White with 57,500 miles	£19,990

Reg	Model	Price
65/15	Volvo V40 D3 R-Design Lux Nav (Driver Support & Winter Packs) 2.0, Rebel Blue with 6,100 miles	£20,490
16/16	Volvo V40 D4 R-Design Lux Nav (Xenium Pack, Winter Pack) 2.0, Onyx Black with 7,000 miles	£20,490
65/15	Volvo V70 D4 SE Nav (Winter Pack) 2.0, Onyx Black with 12,850 miles	£21,990
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65/15	Volvo XC90 D5 Inscription Intellisafe Pro, Winter PAck 2.0, Onyx Black with 13,200 miles	£43,490
66/16	Volvo XC60 D5 R-Design Lux Nav (Sunroof, Driver Support Pack & More) 2.4, Bursting Blue with 1,000 miles	£44,990
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Reg	Model	Price
63/13	Hyundai i10 1.2 Active Auto, Red with 16,114 miles	£6,250
63/13	Hyundai i10 1.2 Active Auto, White with 18,774 miles	£6,250
65/15	Hyundai i10 1.2 SE, Black with 15,056 miles	£7,650
14/14	Hyundai i10 1.2 Premium, Grey with 9,455 miles	£7,850
62/12	Hyundai Veloster 1.6 Sport, Orange with 39,003 miles	£8,450
15/15	Hyundai i20 1.2 Coupe, Red with 9,157 miles	£8,850
16/16	Hyundai i10 1.2 SE Auto, White with 2,348 miles	£9,250
15/15	Hyundai i30 1.4 S, White with 11,569 miles	£9,450
16/16	Hyundai i20 1.2 SE, Blue with 3,944 miles	£9,850
16/16	Hyundai ix20 1.4 SE, White with 3,344 miles	£10,850
15/15	Hyundai i30 1.6 SE CRDi, Silver with 12,121 miles	£10,950
15/15	Hyundai i30 1.6 SE CRDi, Grey with 10,508 miles	£10,950

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65/15	Hyundai i20 1.4 Premium Auto, White with 20 miles	£11,450
16/16	Hyundai i20 1.0 Turbo Active, White with 3,899 miles	£11,850
15/15	Hyundai i30 1.6 SE CRDi, Silver with 10,843 miles	£11,950
61/11	Hyundai ix35 2.0 Premium, Grey with 39,218 miles	£12,250
16/16	Hyundai i20 1.0 Turbo Premium, White with 1,320 miles	£12,850
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16/16	Hyundai Tucson 1.7 SE NAV, Black with 8,610 miles	£18,450
15/15	Hyundai ix35 2.0 Premium, White with 4,383 miles	£18,850
64/14	Hyundai Santa Fe Premium SE Manual, Black with 8,994 miles	£24,250
15/15	Hyundai Santa Fe Premium SE Auto, Black with 10,234 miles	£27,950
16/16	Hyundai Santa Fe Premium SE Auto, Grey with 2,892 miles	£30,450

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Reg	Model	Price
58/08	Mazda RX8 231PS, Black with 17,100 miles	£3,990
08/08	Mazda6 TS, Grey with 67,489 miles	£4,990
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65/15	Mazda2 SE-L, Aluminium/Silver with 9,500 miles	£9,990
65/15	Mazda2 D SE-L Nav, Black with 6,465 miles	£11,200
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65/15	Mazda6 D SE-L Nav, Blue with 17,858 miles	£16,990
16/16	Mazda CX-3 D SE-L Nav, Ceramic White with 1,500 miles	£17,898
65/15	Mazda6 D Sport Nav, Aluminium/Silver with 11,200 miles	£17,990
15/15	Mazda MX-5 Sport Nav, White with 5,677 miles	£18,490
Pre Reg	Mazda3 2.0 SE Nav 5dr, Snowflake White with delivery mileage	£18,545
Pre Reg	Mazda CX-3 2.0 Sport Nav 5dr, Meteor Grey with delivery mileage	£21,035
Pre Reg	Mazda3 2.0 Sport Nav 5dr Auto, Blue with delivery mileage	£22,395
16/16	Mazda CX-5 D Sport Nav, White with 5,500 miles	£23,500
Pre Reg	Mazda MX-5 2.0 Sport 2dr, Soul Red with delivery mileage	£23,955
Pre Reg	Mazda MX-5 2.0 Sport Nav 2dr, Crystal White with delivery mileage	£24,245
65/15	Mazda CX-5 D Sport Nav, Black with 11,804 miles	£24,760
Pre Reg	Mazda CX-5 2.2d SE-L Nav 5dr, Deep Crystal Blue with delivery mileage	£25,545
Pre Reg	Mazda6 2.2d SE-L Nav 5dr Auto, Soul Red Metallic with delivery mileage	£26,665
Pre Reg	Mazda CX-5 2.2d Sport Nav 5dr, Jet Black Mica with delivery mileage	£28,045
Pre Reg	Mazda CX-5 2.2d Sport Nav 5dr, Soul Red Metallic with delivery mileage	£28,165
Pre Reg	Mazda6 2.2d [175] Sport Nav 5dr Auto, Deep Crystal Blue with delivery mileage	£29,445
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Sandra Webb: You may know Sandra as the "voice of Honda" Sandra started with Johnsons back in 2009 as a part time receptionist now Sandra is a full time Dealer Co-Ordinator, Sandra is always happy and has a bubbly personality and is partial to a Prosecco or two. She is a great team player and helps the Sales and After Sales teams departments run smoothly and looking after all their customer enquiries, she also makes a great tea and coffee looking after us all and all our customers.

Adrian Johns: Recently re-joined the Honda Service team after working several years in the DNA forensics. He previously worked for Land Rover in Cumnor.

Martin Glasgow: Hello there. I'm Martin Glasgow from Glasgow before you ask. I've only been with Johnsons Honda since the 15th of August. I've lived in the south now for 18 and a half years with my wife and 18 year old son. I live in Marlborough in Wiltshire. I love my new role at Johnsons Honda, working with a great team and providing a fantastic service to all our customers!

Vivienne Gaughan: Known as Viv to my friends and many of my customers. I have been with Johnsons Honda for nearly two years as senior service advisor. My role is meeting and greeting all service customers and taking care of their motoring needs. I have been in after sales for over 20 years and worked in various franchises including BMW and AUDI. Each day brings new and varied challenges which I thoroughly enjoy.

Jamie Burke: Newest Member of the team joined as a Sales Executive in Sept 2015.

Andrew Williams: Longest serving member of the team, with 12 years service at Honda. Started as a Sales Executive, promoted to Business Manager and is now Honda's Retail Manager.

Gary Mortimer: A recent addition to the team at Johnson's Honda of which brings 27 years of experience with him in all areas of the complete customer care & attention that the Honda customers deserve. Gary looks forward to meeting new & existing clients to assist them in a smooth transaction to guide them through the process of purchasing their next Honda.

Andrew Boyle, Service Manager: I have worked for Johnsons Honda Oxford for the last 10 years. Working my way from the parts department to service and now service manager. I have only been in my new service manager role since the start of April this year but I am enjoying the role and what I can bring to it in the future

Duncan Boyle, Parts Supervisor: Started with Johnsons Honda at the end of 2011 as a parts apprentice. After achieving my level 3 qualification I have worked up to parts supervisor and now training our new parts apprentice.

Alex Leeks: Joined as a Valet, he really enjoyed working along side the Honda team and wanted to be a part of this. He applied for an Apprenticeship and qualified in the Parts Department and is now very happy to be a permanent member of the Team.

From left to right: Gary Mortimer, Alex Leeks, Andy Boyle, Martin Glasgow, Jamie Burke, Ken Joines, Duncan Boyle, Sandra Webb, Andrew Williams, Vivienne Gaughan. (Missing from photo due to holiday is Adrian Johns.)

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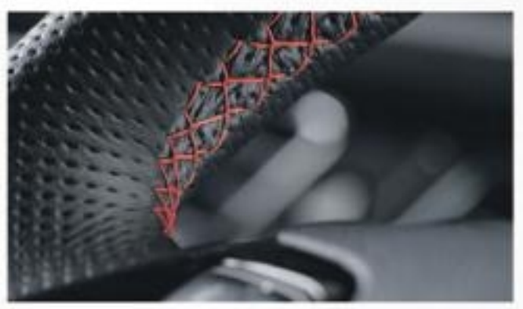

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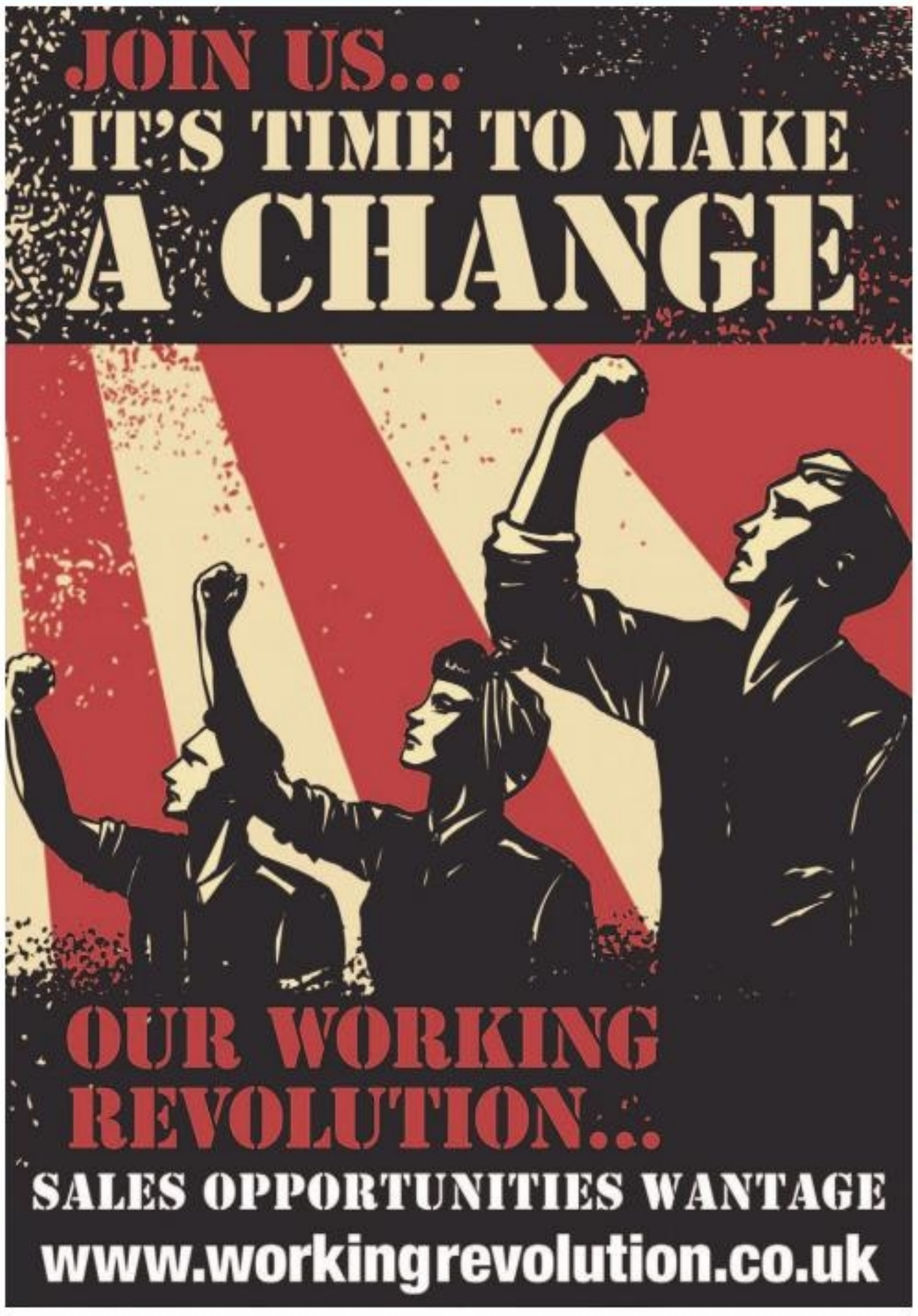

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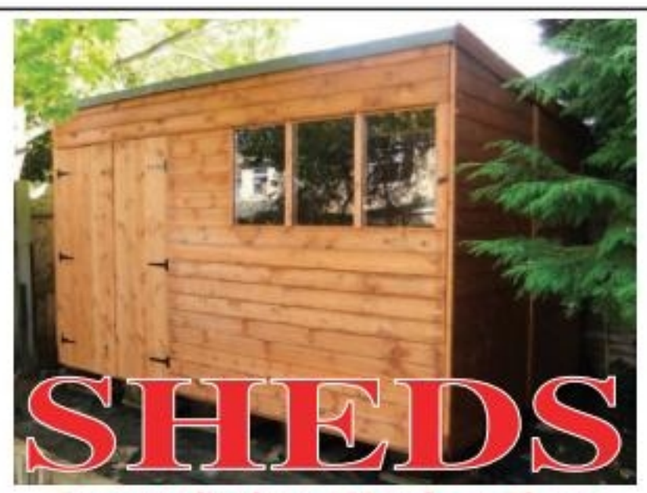

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Williams confident of points on the streets of Singapore

By **Adam Flinn**

WILLIAMS are targeting a strong haul of points at this Sunday's Singapore Grand Prix as they continue their fight for fourth in the constructors' world championship.

The Grove-based squad are currently just three points ahead of Force India in the standings, as the two teams battle it out for the lucrative fourth-place spot.

Teams receive prize money for their final placing in the constructors' standings, with the difference between fourth and fifth worth millions of pounds.

And after regaining fourth from Force India last time out in Italy, Williams are hopeful of a good showing around the Marina Bay street circuit in Singapore to extend their advantage.

Pat Symonds, Williams' chief technical officer, said: "The move from Monza to Singapore is one of extremes, going from the lowest downforce and drag circuit of the season to a street circuit where emphasis is on high downforce and good mechanical grip.

• *Valtteri Bottas came sixth last time out in Monza (picture courtesy of Williams Martini Racing)*

"The circuit puts a premium on low-speed grip and traction, and it also has a high braking demand.

"It's a circuit we have performed reasonably well on in recent years, so we look forward to collecting some strong points as we continue our championship battle."

Williams have managed a fifth place finish at Singapore in both of the last two years, with Felipe Massa in 2014 and Valtteri Bottas in 2015.

However they have not managed a podium there since Nico Rosberg came second for the team in 2008 - the first time a race was held in Singapore.

But Bottas, who got married to long-term girlfriend Emilia Pikkarainen in Helsinki since the last race, is looking forward to the challenge of the hot conditions during the night race this weekend.

He said: "The track has so many corners so as a driver to complete the perfect lap in Singapore is quite tricky, but it's really rewarding when you do.

"It's extremely hot, which makes it much more physical for the driver and hard on the car.

"It's a very unique and cool-looking grand prix."

Massa added: "It's a very difficult race, very humid and so hot, and one of the hardest on the calendar.

"That said, I really enjoy racing there and it's a very rewarding track, and it's always a good feeling racing in Singapore."

Drivers' championship standings

1. Lewis Hamilton	Mercedes	250
2. Nico Rosberg	Mercedes	248
3. Daniel Ricciardo	Red Bull	161
4. Sebastian Vettel	Ferrari	143
5. Kimi Raikkonen	Ferrari	136
6. Max Verstappen	Red Bull	121
7. Valtteri Bottas	**Williams**	**70**
8. Sergio Perez	Force India	62
9. Nico Hulkenberg	Force India	46
10. Felipe Massa	**Williams**	**41**
11. Fernando Alonso	McLaren	30
12. Carlos Sainz	Toro Rosso	30
13. Romain Grosjean	**Haas**	**28**
14. Daniil Kvyat	Toro Rosso	23
15. Jenson Button	McLaren	17
16. Kevin Magnussen	**Renault**	**6**
17. Pascal Wehrlein	**Manor**	**1**
18. Stoffel Vandoorne	McLaren	1
19. Esteban Gutierrez	**Haas**	**0**
20. Jolyon Palmer	**Renault**	**0**
21. Marcus Ericsson	Sauber	0
22. Felipe Nasr	Sauber	0
23. Rio Haryanto	**Manor**	**0**
24. Esteban Ocon	**Manor**	**0**

Work on track for new Renault car

RENAULT say they are on course with work on their 2017 car, as the Enstone-based team look to bounce back from a disappointing season.

Just one top-10 finish all year has left Renault in ninth place in the constructors' championship.

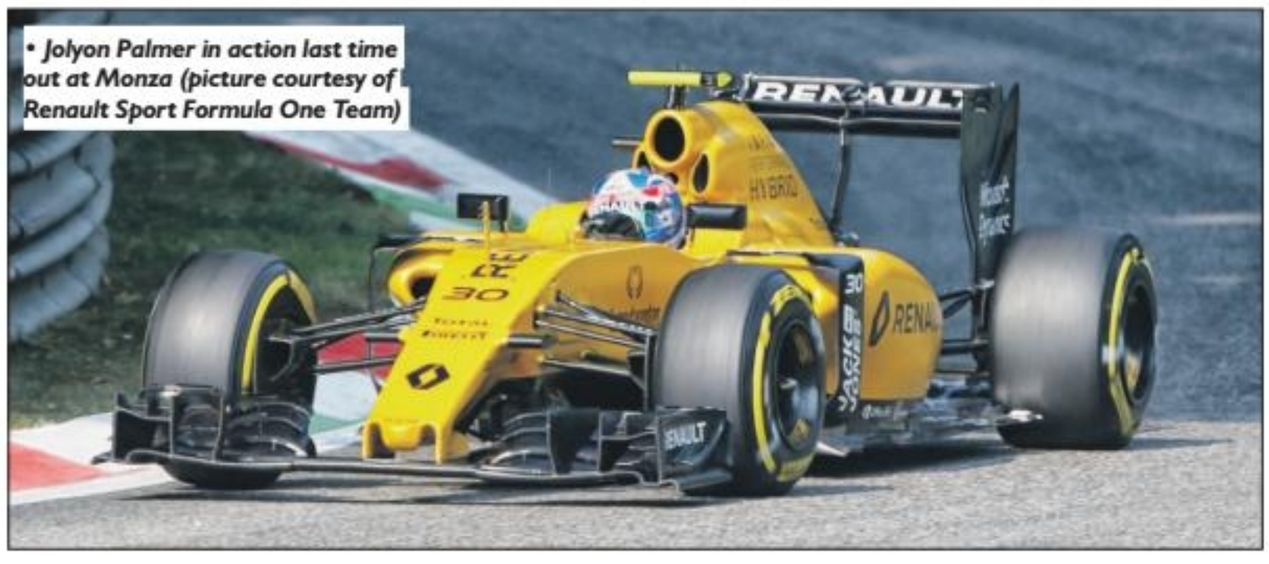
Renault were always anticipating a difficult 2016 after their late takeover of the financially-troubled Lotus F1 team at the end of last season, and have switched a lot of their focus onto the 2017 car.

Bob Bell, Renault's chief technical officer, said: "Everything's on course with chassis patterns released for manufacture and the schedule for the impact testing campaign starting soon.

"As we get into the next couple of months everything starts intensifying.

"There's a lot of heart and soul going into next year's car as we are all hungry to take a strong step forward in performance."

Regarding this weekend's race in Singapore, racing director Fred Vasseur said: "Singapore is a type of circuit that should suit us better than the ones visited recently."



• *Jolyon Palmer in action last time out at Monza (picture courtesy of Renault Sport Formula One Team)*

Haas aim to break into the top-10

HAAS are seeking a strong debut under the lights of Singapore as they take on the streets of the Marina Bay circuit for the first time.

The Banbury-based team have been on the fringes of the points in recent races, but have only had one top-10 finish in the last 10 races.

And while missing out on more points has proved frustrating, Haas know they are not far off where they want to be.

"The frustrating thing is finishing 11th five times," said Haas team principal Guenther Steiner.

"Eleventh is the first spot out of the points, but you know you are not far off and you are doing well.

"We didn't luck into it five times, we made it to Q3 in Italy, so I think we are encouraged, but still disappointed that we don't have more points."

As for fellow Banbury team Manor, they will be looking to add to the solitary point they have scored so far this season, after a promising performance last time out at Monza. Pascal Wehrlein secured their only point at the Austrian Grand Prix in July.

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Pepperell misses cut for fourth time in as many weeks

EDDIE Pepperell missed the cut again last week on the European Tour to make it four missed cuts in four weeks for the Abingdon golfer.

Having failed to make the cut at the Made in Denmark tournament (+11), the Czech Masters (+4) and the European Masters in Switzerland (+6), the 25-year-old again failed to make the final two days – this time at the KLM Open in the Netherlands.

But there were signs of improvement for the world's 189th ranked player, having fired +1 to narrowly miss the cut by two shots.

The Frilford Heath Golf Club member shot an encouraging -1 in the first round on Thursday, sinking three birdies in his first seven holes.

But a double bogey and three bogeys proved decisive in round two to card 143.

Dutchman Joost Luiten was to win the title on home soil in the Netherlands with a score of -19, three shots ahead of his closest challenger, Austrian Bernd Wiesberger.

The last time Pepperell made the cut was at the Kings Cup in Thailand in July.

Undefeated Oxford Saints crowned play-off champs

OXFORD Saints have been crowned the BAFA Division 2 South Champions after a 24-2 play-off final win against Cambridge Cats at the John Charles Stadium in Leeds on Sunday.

Saints' historic 2016 season came to a close by achieving their first ever perfect season with 13 wins and no losses to complement their national title.

Sunday's win confirmed the club's first championship win for 10 years, having won Division 2 in 2006.

The Saints took an early 6-0 lead on their opening drive when a throw from Saints quarterback Destin Maulding found James Walter who ran to the endzone.

A 35-yard kick from Sam Fielden and a Walter touchdown, aided by blocking from receiver Ali Galbraith, helped the Oxford side reach half time with a comprehensive 17-0 lead.

A rejuvenated Cats defence came out to begin the second half and were able to stop the powerful Saints offence in their tracks and allowed them to profit from some uncharacteristic mistakes from the Saints.

The Cats defence closed down Walter in the backfield and, as he attempted to pitch the ball back to Maulding, he flung it over his head into the endzone.

Although Maulding was able to recover the errant ball, the Cats claimed a two-point safety – their only points of the match.

The final score of the game was delivered by running back Ryan Kingshott who picked up 13 yards on the first play of a drive followed by a 38-yard run up the side line for the touchdown.

Fielden added the extra point kick to seal the win – and the title – for the Saints.

The Cats struggled to answer the powerful running from the Saints, with Walter being named game MVP for gaining 126 yards on 18 carries with one touchdown. He also caught one pass for 14 yards and a second touchdown.

The Saints defence had their performance of the year and held the Cats to just 157 yards on offense, breaking down to 98 on the ground and 61 in the air.

By making the final, the Saints confirmed they would be playing in Division 1 next year.

• *Oxford Saints celebrate the play-off win (photo by Jamie Stancombe)*

More gold medals for Leander Club

• *Pamela Relph and Oliver James (pictures courtesy of British Rowing)*

LEANDER Club, who had such an impressive Olympic Games, have had more to celebrate after its rowers won gold medals in the Paralympic Games in Rio.

Cox Oliver James and rower Pamela Relph won gold for Team GB in the mixed coxed four at Lagoa Rodrigo de Freitas regatta in Rio on Sunday.

The pair, along with Grace Clough, James Fox and Daniel Brown, of Upper Thames Rowing Club, were the favourites going into Sunday's race.

And they defended the gold that Great Britain won at London 2012 by finishing ahead of the USA and Canada.

Relph was the only returning member of the victorious gold medal crew from London 2012.

They were part of a historic day for GB's rowers on Sunday as they took three gold medals and a bronze.

Leander Club, the world's most successful club in terms of Olympic medals – with 123 – accounted for 12 medals at this year's Olympic Games.

Team GB currently sit in second position in the Paralympic medals table with 79 medals, 37 of which are gold.

Oxfordshire's other representative at the Paralympic games is Banbury's Ryan Cowling, part of the Team GB's mixed wheelchair rugby team, whose campaign got underway against Australia yesterday afternoon.

Falcons soar to historic win

CHINNOR ran out winners of a big National League 2 derby on Saturday, coming out of their Rugby Union clash at Henley with only their first victory in 52 years over their opponents.

Their 22-13 victory was also Chinnor's first win at Dry Leas ever.

After Henley opened the scoring with a penalty from scrum-half George Jackson within five minutes, Chinnor hit back with Tom Burns driving over a lineout after the Falcons eschewed several penalties for the seven-pointer.

They then opted for the same tactic minutes later, after Jackson had narrowed the gap to just one point.

This time they were rewarded from a scrum, as scrum-half Greg Goodfellow outfoxed the defence to score.

Richard Thorpe then drove over for a third from a lineout for Chinnor, as they raced 19–6 ahead before half-time.

After the break Henley took a leaf out of Chinnor's book, driving a penalty lineout over for flanker Tom Hall to score, to bring them within a converted try of the visitors.

Wet weather conditions made for a battle of attrition in the second half, and the last 10 minutes saw an all out attack from Henley as they went in search of the win.

But Chinnor's defence held strong, and a big tackle from Danny Barnes saw a late turnover to scupper the hopes of the Hawks.

The resulting late penalty from Bertie Hopkin, who landed his third kick of the match, also denied the hosts of losing a bonus point.

Back to back defeats for United women

• *Everton celebrate against Oxford (picture courtesy of @Everton_Ladies)*

DESPITE a battling display at Everton, Oxford United went down to a second consecutive away defeat as they were beaten 3-0 at the Select Security Stadium in the Women's Super League 2 on Sunday.

Claudia Walker put the hosts in front before half time and Michelle Hinnigan doubled the deficit in the second half, before Walker put the result beyond doubt with her second of the day.

The hosts started on the front foot, subjecting United to considerable pressure in the opening stages. Hinnigan fired just wide and Chloe Kelly drew a good save from U's goalkeeper Demi Lambourne with a dangerous dipping effort from range.

But the breakthrough came just before the half-hour mark when United failed to cut out a ball across goal, with Walker on hand to tap in unmarked at the far post.

United's task was doubled shortly after the hour mark as the hosts struck on the break. Rosella Ayane's cross found Hinnigan free at the back post, whose volley back across goal left Lambourne with no chance.

And just minutes later Oxford's hopes of salvaging the match were dashed as Walker chested down a lofted ball into the box, spun on the spot and curled an effort beyond the desperate grasp of the U's keeper.

The defeat means Oxford have lost seven of their last nine matches, leaving them third from bottom.

Oxford savour five-place superiority to Swindon in table

U's relish Robins victory

• *Continues from back page*

And the pressure told on 60 minutes when Maguire slid in as Vigouroux tried to clear a back pass, but the ball smacked straight into Maguire and flew into the net.

Things went from bad to worse less than five minutes later when Jones received his marching orders after picking up his second yellow card.

The visitors nearly dragged themselves back into the match moments later, but defender Darnell Furlong missed from close range with a typical 'defenders finish'.

By **George Welch**

Johnson and substitute Alex MacDonald both missed glorious chances in the closing stages to see the game out – but it did not matter.

The majority of the 11,000-plus fans went home happy after another derby day was confirmed when Vigouroux received his marching orders for lashing out at MacDonald.

The win makes it three consecutive home wins for Michael Appleton's men.

With Oxford now in 11th and Swindon in 16th, it is the first time United have been above Swindon in the table since November 2011.

• *Chris Maguire celebrates his second goal after deflecting Vigouroux's clearance into the net (photo by Steve Daniels)*

Diddy defeated by Mangos

• *Didcot Town striker Ben Whitehead in action against Mangotsfield (photo by Roger Neal)*

DIDCOT'S stuttering start to the season continued on a gloomy Saturday at a rain soaked Loop Meadow stadium as visitors Mangotsfield United took home the points in a hard earned 2-0 victory.

A first half own goal from Luke Carnell and a fine second half strike from Ben Withey ensured the points retuned to Bristol.

As the rain poured down in the first half both teams struggled to take control of a keenly contested game.

Mangotsfield were gifted the lead on 15 minutes when Didcot skipper Carnell tried to divert a dangerous looking ball away.

Instead he poked the ball over keeper Leigh Bedwell's head for an unfortunate own goal that gave Diddy a mountain to climb.

It was very nearly two when good work down the right hand side saw the ball chipped to the back post where it found the unmarked Joe Stokes.

With the goal at his mercy Stokes looked to head it home, only for Bedwell to miraculously claw it out of the top corner.

The Mangos sealed the game late on when Withey latched onto a loose ball and laced home a crisp right footed shot from 25 yards to give Bedwell no chance and end the contest on 83 minutes.

Diddy's third league defeat of the season leaves them in a disappointing 17th place on six points from seven games.

City's winless week

OXFORD City were beaten by table toppers Maidenhead United 3-1 at the Marsh Lane stadium on Tuesday night.

The Hoops, after getting back to winning ways two weeks ago against Bath City, dropped more points when they were held to a 1-1 draw against fellow strugglers Truro City on Saturday.

Justin Merritt's men were looking to stretch their unbeaten run to three matches against Maidenhead, but, though Mike Fondop tested the visiting keeper during an early period of City pressure, it was Maidenhead who scored first through James Mulley on 19 minutes.

They almost doubled their lead within a minute, but good saves from Jack Stevens meant they had to wait until just on half time for Sean Marks to net a second for the Berkshire club.

The Magpies continued to press after half-time, but it was a good strike from captain Scott Davies for the Hoops on 69 minutes that brought Oxford back into the tie.

But Maidenhead striker Dave Tarpey's deflected free-kick made the three points certain for the visitors in the final minute to send them three points clear at the top of the table and consign City to the relegation zone.

Tuesday's defeat followed Saturday's 1-1 draw with relegation rivals Truro City.

Both goals came in the second half, with Aaron Bentley giving the visitors the lead on 56 minutes before a Davies penalty 10 minutes later ensured the points were shared.

• *City drew with fellow strugglers Truro City (photo by Michael Allen)*

North Leigh fight back from two down to earn well deserved point

NORTH Leigh clawed back a two goal deficit to grab a point away at Taunton in a 2-2 draw on Saturday.

Jordan Rogers, Taunton's main strike threat, was on fire and his two first half goals set Leigh a massive second half challenge.

But The Millers fought back through second half George Seacole and Morgan Williams goals.

Both teams have made good starts to the season and both attacked from the start with Leigh putting together some useful moves in the opening few minutes.

But it was Rogers who opened the scoring for the hosts on eight minutes with a close range finish before he doubled his side's lead with a smart 20-yard finish on 24 minutes.

The Millers however were up for the challenge and hit back strongly with an upbeat second half performance that saw them claw back the deficit and had the home side hanging on in a frantic final 10 minutes.

The visitors were back in the match on the hour mark when Seacole nodded home, despite a slight deflection off a Taunton defender.

And the equaliser came on 77 minutes when Williams squeezed a header home from close range following a set piece.

The final few seconds saw Taunton go close from a couple of corners, which Leigh defended bravely to make sure they held onto their hard earned point.

Sport Bites

Rise of hockey

HOCKEY: Oxford Hockey Club has witnessed an unprecedented growth in interest following the women's gold medal Olympic victory.

Great Britain's women's team took gold in a dramatic penalty shoot out following a 3-3 draw with Netherlands in Rio last month.

And more than 70 women have already been inspired to take part in Back to Hockey sessions at the club.

Another six-week course began this week; for women on Tuesday at Oxford Brookes University's Headington campus and for men yesterday at Oxford University Sport in Iffley Road. See oxfordhc.org for more information.

Runner up spot

MOTOR RACING: Oxford teenager Matt Chapman sealed second place in his maiden Ginetta GT5 campaign during a dramatic final round at Donington.

The 16-year-old TCR driver, from Abingdon, overcame the odds during a dramatic final race of the season at Donington Park Grand Prix Circuit on Sunday, by overturning a 10-second penalty to secure enough points to be crowned 2016 vice-champion.

Fourth, third and sixth placed finishes in Sunday's three races was enough for the Oxfordshire Gran Turismo racer to secure the runner-up spot behind Xentek Motorsport racer Ollie Chadwick, 20, from Tetbury in Gloucestershire.

Loss seals 13th

RUGBY LEAGUE: Oxford RL ended their season on a low note with a 37-6 defeat to North Wales Crusaders on Sunday.

Nathan Kitson dived over to open the scoring and give Oxford the lead in the Kingstone Press League 1 Shield match at Tilsley Park, but from then on the visitors ran riot scoring seven tries, including a Rob Massam hat-rick.

Oxford's 16th defeat of the season – which only included four wins – confirmed Oxford's 13th placed position in a table of 15.

New U's stand

FOOTBALL: Oxford United have been given the green light to build a temporary fourth stand at the Kassam Stadium.

Oxford City Council granted planning permission to build the 735-seat stand for a three-year period on Thursday last week.

Stadium owner and former club owner Firoz Kassam will have the final say on when the structure will be built.

The Kassam Stadium has had only three stands since in opened in 2001.

Planning permission was granted just days before Oxford's sell-out against local rivals Swindon Town.

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Derby delight: Six-in-a-row against Swindon

By **George Welch**

OXFORD United beat nine-man Swindon Town 2-0 on Saturday to make it six wins in a row against their fierce rivals.

A brace from Chris Maguire made sure the bragging rights stay in Oxford following the 58th A420 derby.

Maguire was at the double with a first half penalty and a second half rebound, while Lloyd Jones and goalkeeper Lawrence Vigouroux saw red for Swindon in the second half.

Marvin Johnson came in for his first United start on Oxford's left in a new look 4-2-3-1 formation, with Liam Sercombe supporting behind lone striker Wes Thomas.

As expected there was a loud derby day atmosphere, with both sets of fans in fine voice for the first of at least three derby matches this season.

And the United fans had the first thing to shout about after Wes Thomas was given offside, despite a Swindon fan heading back towards his own keeper.

And Maguire, who often turns up for the big games, fired the matches' first effort over the bar.

Captain John Lundstram tried an audacious chip from 40 yards when he spotted Vigouroux off his line on seven minutes – but the visiting keeper was always confident it was going to miss the target.

It was an end-to-end opening quarter of an hour with neither side seriously threatening either keeper, although a 25-yard effort from right back Phil Edwards forced Vigouroux into a save.

On the half hour mark, a mazy run from Johnson found Maguire, but the forward saw his fierce effort tipped over by Vigouroux in the Swindon goal.

Swindon's first real effort in goal came from a Michael Doughty free kick - but he squandered his effort straight into the Oxford wall.

United were awarded a penalty just before half time when Sercombe was felled by Town skipper Nathan Thompson just inside the area.

Referee Stuart Attwell initially gave a free kick but, after consultation with assistant referee Andrew Fox, he awarded a spot kick.

And Maguire made no mistake from 12 yards to send the home fans into pandemonium.

Just a minute later the visitors were denied a penalty and the Yellows' defence remained firm to secure a half time lead.

Eastwood made a big save with the score at 1-0 to deny Johnny Goddard after a ricochet fell kindly for him on 50 minutes. Brandon Ottewill blazed the rebound into the car park.

But the hosts kept up their first half pressure with Maguire testing Vigouroux from distance before a set piece routine saw a Johnson effort ricochet threateningly around the Town box.

• *Continues inside*

• *Chris Maguire pushes the ball past Brandon Ormonde-Ottewill (photo by Steve Daniels)*

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